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## U. S. ATTITUDE IN CARIBBEAN

### SURPRISE AT OUTBREAK AGAINST CASTRO'S RULE

Will Not Interfere in Venezuela  
Unless Monroe Doctrine  
is Violated.

A rumor is current on the New York Stock exchange to-day that Venezuela has declared war against Holland. Stocks are bearing up well, says the information, no confirmation of which can be obtained from Associated Press sources.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—The striking events in Caracas are somewhat of a surprise to officials in Washington where it had been generally expected that any manifestations of hostile acts would have the result of solidifying all elements of the people and make them rally vigorously to President Castro and his government. That they have not done so, but on the contrary have engaged in a riotous demonstration against his interests and those of his friends, is quite inexplicable to the authorities here.

It has been the common belief in Washington that had the United States taken any forcible steps against Venezuela in the efforts to have its claims against that country arbitrated, Castro would have become a veritable hero of the people there. It is possible even that anticipating such an attitude, the administration has been indifferent to pushing a demand for settlement. Now that Castro has left the country the strong influence exerted over his people, in the minds of the officials, appears to be waning.

Some interest is manifested at the state department in the unofficial reports that Castro might seek an alliance with Germany. The report lacks any substantial confirmation so far as the state department advises go. The department has felt that the situation in Venezuela would gradually work itself out. For this reason there has been a persistent determination to ignore President Castro and look with equanimity on the doings of foreign governments, in their efforts to get satisfaction from him for alleged wrongs, so long as there is no interference with American interests and no violation of the Monroe doctrine.

Castro Still Ignorant.  
Berlin, Dec. 17.—The members of the entourage of President Castro of Venezuela, who have been in Berlin for several days past, still maintain an attitude of skepticism regarding the outbreak at Caracas against the president in the course of which an infuriated mob made a bonfire on the Plaza Bolívar of a collection of Castro's belongings and those of his closest friends.

In spite of the well known fact that there is no telephonic communication between Caracas and the outer world, all cables having to be sent by steamer from the capital to Wilhelmstadt, Curacao or Port of Spain, Trinidad, and there placed on the wire, they declare that Castro is in receipt daily of communication from the government but that no reports have come in corresponding to the events described by the press dispatches.

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## DEFALCATIONS LEAD BANK TO ASSIGN

### Cashier Admits Systematic Robberies—Liabilities of Nearly a Million.

Somerworth, N. H., Dec. 17.—The doors of the First National Bank of this city were closed yesterday, following the discovery of a shortage placed at \$25,000, and Fred M. Varney, the cashier, was arrested on the charge of being a defaulter. The trouble was discovered by National Bank Examiner N. S. Bean, of Manchester. According to W. W. Tobett, president of the bank, Varney has now admitted that he took large sums from the bank which had been accumulating for the last several years. Varney was given a hearing late yesterday afternoon. He pleaded not guilty and furnished bail of \$10,000 for his appearance before the United States circuit court at Portsmouth in March. Examiner Bean regards the bank as solvent, but says the directors declare their inability to make up the shortage, and have requested a liquidator. Late yesterday Mr. Bean was appointed temporary receiver by the controller of the Currency.

Women Depositors Pained.  
Napoleon, Ohio, Dec. 17.—Men cried and women fainted in the street when they found a notice of assignment posted on the doors of the Citizens' state bank yesterday. D. D. Donovan was named as assignee. President Heller of the bank is in a hospital in Minnesota. The failure is said to be due to loans to Judge Michael Donnelly, who is president of the Ohio German fire insurance company, which recently failed. The bank is capitalized at \$71,000, and has an undivided surplus of \$21,000. The deposits amount to \$925,000.

## CANADA TO ANNEX WEST INDIES!

London, Dec. 17.—Harry Symonds, K. C., of Toronto, writes to the press suggesting that the Barbadoes, and possibly the whole of the West Indies, should unite with Canada. The suggestion is viewed with considerable interest here.

## T. J. HAINS' PART IN ANNIS MURDER

### MODEL OF HAPPENING TO BE SHOWN IN COURT

Widow Tells on Witness Stand  
She Saw Her Husband  
Die.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Counsel for Thornton J. Hains declared to-day that the state's witnesses called to prove the charge that Hains was a principal with his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, Jr., in the killing of William E. Annis, will be subjected to severe cross-examination. Hains' lawyers assert that the prosecution's witnesses were all close friends of Annis, and that there is little doubt they have rehearsed the tragedy with the design of presenting an unvarying story.

A new light on the case was shed this morning when Hains' counsel admitted that Thornton J. Hains had some trouble with Wm. Annis over the publication of a magazine article last June. Thornton J. Hains submitted a manuscript to Mr. Ripley, the owner of the magazine on which Annis was employed, in May, and that Annis induced Ripley to return it. Counsel for Hains state that the defendant then wrote a letter to Ripley, saying he knew why the manuscript was rejected, and concluded with the words: "I will get even with him yet."

This is the threatening letter referred to by Special Prosecutor White in his opening address, according to counsel for Hains, who further states that they will show that there was no threat in the defendant's communication and that the episode simply indicated Annis' feeling towards T. J. Hains. The lawyers state that they will prove that Hains some time previous to this affair, had Annis discharged from a position with a publishing company. It will be asserted when the defense presents its case, that Thornton and his brother went to Bayside to locate a home, where T. J. Hains' young daughter, Molly, a sufferer from a throat affection, might have the benefit of country air. The taking of evidence for the state was resumed with the opening of court.

When court opened, Justice Crane said: "I have been thinking over night and I am not going to let you use this model. It is clear that this model is out of all proportion and gives a false impression to the jury. I would suggest that you obtain photographs to show its correctness and then it may be used."

Counsel for the defense noted an exception.

The state then called Dr. Johnson MacLeod, of Flushing, to the stand. Dr. MacLeod testified to having had Annis moved from the club float, where the shooting occurred, to the Flushing hospital. On cross-examination Dr. MacLeod said he thought Dr. Jones, then the house physician at the Flushing hospital, was now in Syracuse.

Dr. Leo Schmock, a physician at the Flushing hospital, testified as to the treatment given Annis.

"What did Annis die of?" asked the prosecuting attorney.

"From shock and hemorrhage brought on by some of the wounds I have described," said the witness. The physician said he made no autopsy of the body.

Dr. Joseph Bloodgood, of Flushing, who also attended Annis in the hospital, took the stand. He related the treatment given to the wounded man and of the examination he had made.

Mrs. Wm. E. Annis was then called to the stand. She was dressed in a dark suit and wore a neat overcoat, a heavy veil was flung back over a large staring black hat. She spoke in a quiet tone.

She said: "I am the wife of Wm. E. Annis. My name is Ellen Annis. I was there."

"Did you see your husband die?"

"Yes."

"That is all," said the district attorney.

Mr. McIntyre said that the district attorney should exhaust the witness upon all her knowledge of the case. Justice Crane said it was not necessary at this time. "Then I have no question," said Mr. McIntyre.

Justice Crane drew from Mrs. Annis that her husband died about 7 o'clock on August 15th. Mrs. Annis then withdrew from the stand.

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2,000 MINERS ON STRIKE.

Charleson, W. Va., Dec. 17.—Nearly two thousand miners in the fourteen active mines in the Paint Creek territory went on strike yesterday following a notice that their wages would be reduced. The national executive board of the United Mine Workers has endorsed the strike.

## ANXIOUS TO KEEP MR. TEMPLEMAN

### OTHERWISE B. C. MAY LOSE CABINET REPRESENTATION

Montreal Herald Discusses Sir  
Wilfrid's Attitude in Ministerial  
Question.

(Special to the Times.)  
Montreal, Que., Dec. 17.—The Herald has the following to-day from its Ottawa correspondent:

Ralph Smith, member for Nanaimo, left for the Pacific coast last night without the question of ministerial representation for British Columbia having been finally settled. William Sloan, M. P., is still here. It is well understood that Sir Wilfrid desires to retain the services of the Hon. Mr. Templeman, who was defeated in the general election by a few votes. There has arisen the difficulty of providing Mr. Templeman with a seat until he is able to follow out his protest and unseat the Conservative representative of Victoria. It is understood that Mr. Smith and Mr. Sloan are both pressing the claims of their constituencies to the portfolio, which is being held by British Columbia at the present time. However, there is a likelihood that if Mr. Templeman does not retain the portfolio it will go to another western province.

## SHRUBB ACCEPTS LONGBOAT'S CHALLENGE

### Famous English Runner to Meet Indian Dyer Madi- son Square Course.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 17.—Alfred Shrubbs, the long-distance English professional champion runner, has accepted the challenge to meet Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian, the vanquisher of Dorando Pietri, in Madison Square Garden.

The race will be run on January 9th at Madison Square Garden, New York. Whatever be the result of the Shrubbs-Longboat contest it is said that the four-cornered long distance fight between Dorando, Shrubbs, Longboat and Hayes will be held soon after.

Shrubbs' records are as follows: Two miles, 9:09 3-5; three miles, 14:17 3-4; four miles, 19:23 2-5; five miles, 24:33 2-5; ten miles, 50:40 3-4. His best distance in one hour is 11 miles, 1:17 yards.

Longboat's record are: Five miles, 24:05; ten miles, 50:54; fifteen miles, 1:25:42 2-4; 25 miles, 1:24:30. At Belleville, on the indoor track, Longboat is said to have done five miles in 25:30; but the track was not authoritatively measured.

RECORDS DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Government records, charts, maps and photographs valued at more than \$20,000 were destroyed last night in a fire which broke out in the United States Geological Survey building in this city. The damage to the building itself was slight.

31 YEARS A MISSIONARY.

New York, Dec. 17.—News of the death at Yelland, India, of Rev. Chas. B. Ward, for thirty-one years missionary of the Methodist Episcopal church in India, was received here yesterday. Mr. Ward leaves a widow in India and two sons, who are students at Syracuse university.

COLONIAL PEERS.

London, Dec. 17.—All the papers of South Africa give sympathetic approval to Lord Robbery's committee proposal that the regular number of colonial peers should be admitted to the House of Lords.

ELIGIBLE FOR PRIVY COUNCIL.

London, Dec. 17.—In the Commons, the Privy Council Amendment Act of 1895, was last night amended to include any person being or having been a justice of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland.

SWISS COMMERCE MINISTER.

Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 17.—A. Deucher, minister of commerce, was elected president of the Swiss Republic for 1909 by the federal assembly to-day. He will succeed Dr. F. Brenner, whose term of office expired on January 1st.

BANKRUPT ACTRESS.

New York, Dec. 17.—Alice Neilson, an actress, long prominent on the comic opera stage, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy yesterday. She gave her liabilities as \$7,500, and her assets at \$75.

PAPER MILL GUTTED.

Danville, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Fire destroyed the building, machinery and part of the material of the Danville paper mill yesterday afternoon, causing a total loss estimated at more than \$100,000. It is not known what insurance was carried. The plant was owned by J. H. McNair, of Toronto, Ont., who conducts a large wax plant in the Canadian city.

## FINANCIERS AND GEORGIAN BAY CANAL

London, Dec. 17.—It is understood that a syndicate of London and Canadian financiers have the Georgian Bay scheme well in hand, and work will be started shortly.

## TWO RANCHERS DROWN IN LAKE CHRISTINA

Set Out From Cascade During  
Fog—Empty Boat is  
Found.

(Special to the Times.)  
Grand Forks, Dec. 17.—Ernest Downs and Archibald Wilkinson were drowned in Christina lake, 12 miles east of this city, some time between Monday night and yesterday.

The men were ranchers on the lake shore and started in their boat from Cascade for home in a fog, and it is supposed lost their bearings. They were missed on Tuesday morning, but owing to the fog still being on the lake it was impossible to locate them or their boat. Their boat was found yesterday. Provincial Constable McDonnell leaves this afternoon to drag the lake for the bodies.

## BRITISH TORPEDO BOAT IS COMPLETE WRECK

Cowes, Isle of Wight, Dec. 17.—Torpedo boat 659 ran ashore on the rocks while manœuvring off Bembridge ledge, Isle of Wight, last night. The crew of fourteen had a narrow escape. Two feet of water was in the hold when the Bembridge lifeboat arrived in response to the call. The vessel is a complete wreck.

## INCENSED, PRESIDENT OF DOUMA RESIGNS

### Rightists Refuse to Accept His Ruling—Scene in Russian Chambers.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 17.—During the course of an exciting session of the Douma yesterday afternoon, Nikola Khomyakoff, the president of the Douma, quitted the chambers and wrote his resignation.

Late last night there was still much uncertainty as to M. Khomyakoff's position, as he did not present his resignation to the chancellor of the Douma, where it was declared that the incident might be regarded as closed. Possibly, therefore, M. Khomyakoff reconsidered his decision to resign.

Scenes of excitement arose over the discussion in the house of a government bill to grant a credit of \$500,000 for the benefit of the employees of the prisoners' administration who were victims of outrages while on duty or of their families if the employees were killed.

The Socialists and Laborites hotly denounced the administration and the inquisitorial torturing methods of political prisoners. Deputy Rosanoff, in a specially violent speech, asserted that as a result of the rigorous rule sixty per cent. of these prisoners developed consumption. The Rightists deplored the bill, and declared that whereupon M. Rosanoff declared that the Rightists possessed less honor than Russian convicts on the eve of execution.

President Khomyakoff, in response to a stampede on the part of the offended deputies, called upon M. Rosanoff to withdraw his expression. M. Rosanoff did so to the satisfaction of the president of the Douma, but the Rightists quitted the house in a body and went to the president's room, where they insisted that M. Rosanoff must apologize.

Thereupon M. Khomyakoff wrote his resignation and left a chairman, Prince Volonaky, in charge of the Douma.

The credit was finally adopted. At the evening session the matter of an interpretation of the prohibition by the police of a lecture by one of the deputies on Bosnia and Herzegovina was under discussion.

Count Bobrinsky, president of the constitutional Conservative party, explained that the Douma did not wish to confuse the question of police prohibition of meetings with that relating to the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the interpretation was postponed.

The Douma adopted an interpretation to the effect that the government is violating the budget rights by guaranteeing the bonds of private railways without the sanction of the Douma.

The interpretation of M. Parshkevich relating to the persecution of Russian colonists in the Caucasus by native Armenians and Georgians was also submitted. This interpretation recounted a great number of alleged murders, attempts and other forms of terrorism aimed at making the existence of Russian-Caucasian colonies an impossibility.

## INDIAN UNREST IS DISAPPEARING

### PROMPT MEASURES ARE SUPPRESSING SEDITION

Prominent Natives Assure British  
Commissioner of Their  
Allegiance.

Calcutta, Dec. 17.—The course adopted recently by the Indian authorities to cause the arrest swiftly and mysteriously of all natives, suspected of revolutionary activities, is having a good effect on the rest of the population. Instead of being deported the leaders taken into custody are being distributed to the various jails in India.

It is reported that powerful native secret societies are dissolving as a result of the energy displayed by the government. A delegation of prominent natives, supposed to be implicated in the revolutionary movement, called on the local commissioner to-day, and assured him of their support.

Another result of the campaign is that the native newspapers are becoming extremely cautious in their comments.

BANK DISCOUNT RATE.

London, Dec. 17.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remained unchanged to-day at 2½ per cent.

## SENIOR'S CHOICE DINNER GOES UP IN SMOKE

### Wealthy Italian Suffers on Account of Cattle Embargo on Border.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Domestic officials boarded the private car of Senator De Aguerro, a wealthy Italian of New York, yesterday and confiscated and burned the choicest of his viands, including dressed turkeys, chickens, ducks and a whole side of beef in the chef's pantry, because of the cattle and dressed beef embargo. Senator De Aguerro vehemently protested that he and his party were on their way to Cobalt had not yet dined, and would have no time to procure other estates until they reached Toronto, but the officials insisted and the viands were burned in the Grand Trunk engine, and the vessels containing them left behind to be disinfected.

SITUATION IN HAYTI.

U. S. S. Tacoma Arrives at Port au Prince—Simon to Be Elected President.

Cape Haytien, Dec. 17.—The American cruiser Tacoma arrived here yesterday from Port au Prince and will remain until the election of General Simon as president is completed. No serious disorders are anticipated, but to be on the safe side a number of the followers of General Firmin have been placed under arrest and a military organization has been temporarily deprived of its arms.

AUTO'S FATAL DASH.

Falls Through Open Bridge Carrying Two Men to Death.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 17.—An auto containing three men dashed into the open draw of the Inland street bridge early to-day and went to the bottom of the river, carrying two of the occupants to death. A third was rescued with difficulty.

ARGENTINE DREADNOUGHTS.

Government Authorized to Spend \$70,000,000 on Armament.

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, Dec. 17.—The chamber of deputies has sanctioned a bill authorizing the government to spend not exceeding \$70,000,000, for armament. The bill provides for the construction of two large battleships, and authorizes a third if necessary.

DISASTROUS TUNNEL SMASH.

Passenger and Freight Trains in Collision in Algeria—Several Persons Killed.

Constantine, Algeria, Dec. 17.—In a rear-end collision between a passenger and a freight train in the El Achir tunnel to-day several persons were killed and injured. Details are lacking.

DEADLY QUARREL.

Matteawan, W. Va., Dec. 17.—H. O. Smith, general superintendent of the Freeborn Coal & Coke company, was shot and killed yesterday during a quarrel with H. A. Conners, station agent for the Norfolk and Western railroad at Doletown.

LUNATIC KILLS AGED MAN.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—William Boulton, manager of the Mimico asylum farm, died at his home in Mimico last night as the result of injuries inflicted by a patient, who attacked him on Monday with a spade. He was 80 years old, and had been connected with the asylum for 24 years.

## PREMIER WARD ON PENNY CABLEGRAMS

London, Dec. 17.—A Wellington, New Zealand, dispatch says Premier Ward states that he feels confident that the sections of a cable between Great Britain and Canada and Australia could be made profitable under Henniker Heaton's penny a word proposal.

## SULTAN OPENS HIS PARLIAMENT

### POPULAR ENTHUSIASM IN THE CONSTITUTION

### Public Holiday in Constantinople—Death Blow to Despotic Rule.

Constantinople, Dec. 17.—With the meeting of the first Ottoman parliament to-day, Turkey formally breaks from despotic rule. Sultan Abdul Hamid, who granted the constitution last July, providing for the assembly, paraded through the city to-day at the head of an elaborate cortege to open the first session of the body. Everywhere he was greeted with cheering. There was no disorder.

The line of march of the Imperial party, a distance of five miles, had been swept and spread with fresh sand for the passage of His Majesty. Every regiment in Constantinople was out. Arches spanned the streets, and as the occasion had been made a public holiday, the city was crowded with people.

All the ministers of state, the senators and the deputies of the new legislative body assembled at the ministry of justice, preparatory to marching to the hall of parliament. The foreign diplomats in Constantinople assembled at the British embassy and proceeded to the hall in a body. They all were clad in their full official uniforms, the peoples' reception to the Sultan and their cheers for the new assembly are evidence of the deep interest taken by Turkey in this first step towards constitutional life.

The first Turkish parliament was assembled over 20 years ago, but its existence was brief and it was dissolved before any definite results were accomplished. The new parliament consists of a senate and a chamber of deputies. The senators and their president are nominated and appointed by the sultan. The deputies are elected by the people.

NEWFOUNDLAND BLIZZARD.

Traffic Tied up on Land and Several Schooners Believed to Have Suffered.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 17.—The worst blizzard experienced in Newfoundland for many years has been raging for 48 hours, and heavy damage has been done to fishing vessels, a number of which have been blown ashore at various points. No loss of life has yet been reported, but it is feared that several schooners have been blown to sea or sunk. Traffic on land is at a standstill.

KENTUCKY PATRICIDE.

Trial in Hargis Feud Murder—Opens To-day.

Irvine, Ky., Dec. 17.—The trial of Beach Hargis, who is charged with the murder last February at Jackson, Ky., of his father, Judge James Hargis, was called yesterday. Members of the Hargis family, which is one of the noted feud sources in the Kentucky mountains, are on both sides of the case. The widow of Judge Hargis is using the money her husband left her with which to defend the patricide.

RECRIMINATIONS AFTER DEFEAT.

Captain of Chicago Cubs Accuses New York Giants of Disgraceful Treatment.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 17.—According to an interview with Frank Chance, captain of the Chicago National League team last season, published here to-day, alleged disgraceful treatment was accorded the Chicago team by some New York fans and players prior to the deciding game with the Giants on October 8th.

"Fearing that they could not beat us even with the advantage of playing on their own grounds, the Giants deliberately planned to cripple several of our men before the game," said Mr. Chance. "For this purpose they had a dozen prizefighters congregated in a convenient place and the starting of a fight would have been the signal for them to jump out and beat up some of our best men."

AUTHOR'S REMAINS INTERRED.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 17.—Funeral services for Donald G. Mitchell, "El Marvel," the author, whose death occurred Tuesday evening last, were held at the Mitchell home this afternoon. Rev. J. Hendrick Sexton, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, of Westville, officiating. The interment was in the family plot at Woodbridge cemetery. In accordance with Mr. Mitchell's desire the services were simple and strictly private. Members of the family acted as pallbearers.

## OVER EIGHT MILES OF BOULEVARDS

### VICTORIA ADDING TO ITS NATURAL BEAUTY

Parks Board to Consider  
Scheme for Small  
Parks.

There are eight and a half miles of boulevard streets in Victoria to-day. Even the members of the council who are on the parks board were astonished to learn from Supt. England's report yesterday afternoon that there is such an extent of thoroughfares improved in this way.

The superintendent's report was a short one, as he is preparing a detailed report on the work of the year for submission to the board at its next meeting. Considerable work has been done in the last couple of months in Beacon Hill park, in the way of clearing brush, seeding land, improving the animal pens and so on. The park is now practically safe from fire. The dog nuisance is almost abated, although considerable loss was caused early in the year. The slope along James Bay and Bastion Square are now maintained by the city at large.

Of boulevards, eight and one-half miles had been laid, on the following streets: Elliot street, part of Superior street, Michigan street, the whole of Medana street, Clarence street, South Turner street, Belleville street, Humboldt street, Rupert street, Heywood avenue, the Park front, Mears street, Linden avenue, Ormond street, Elford street, Richmond street, Rockland avenue, Third street, Hillside avenue, Garbally road, Dunedin street, Vancouver street.

The final charge has been made below the estimate. The cost of maintenance would also come well within the estimate. The Quadra street cemetery had been laid out as a park and was a credit. Its transformation was a boon to the city at large.

The report was received by the Mayor remarking that it was very gratifying and satisfactory.

On the suggestion of the Mayor, Supt. England was instructed to draw up a scheme of making small parks out of vacant commons in the middle of such streets as Pandora and Blanchard, and the board will recommend to the first council that a fixed policy be adopted in this regard.

Supt. England mentioned the need of a railing along the top of the slope on Belleville street to prevent children rolling down.

The matter of a shelter at the Beacon Hill terminus was referred to the superintendent for report, and he was asked to consult Mr. Pimley as to having it in connection with the tea room nearby.

A request from John H. Mason for leave to build a boat house on the beach, was referred to the same official. In other cases leave has been granted on payment of a small rental.

The members of the board present were Ald. Henderson (in the chair), Mayor Hall, Ald. Cameron and F. B. Pemberton.

D. D. MANN DENIES RUMOR.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—D. D. Mann, of the Canadian Northern railway, denied yesterday the story that his road had taken over the Wisconsin Central to get into Chicago.

## WILL MAKE TEST OF AERIAL WARFARE

### Knabenshue to Illustrate Ease With Which Explosives Can Be Dropped on City.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 17.—Latest of all the daring aeronautic feats to which Los Angeles has been treated, during the present season, will be the midnight flight to-night of Roy Knabenshue in his dirigible, balloon in which he will attempt to demonstrate the ease with which a large city like Los Angeles can be destroyed by explosives dropped from the airship of an enemy. At intervals Knabenshue will drop illuminated missiles of a harmless nature.

DINGMAN'S DAY.

Britons and Boers Join in Observing Public Holiday.

London, Dec. 17.—A Pretoria dispatch says that for the first time in history Dingman's Day was recognized as a public holiday in the other South African states, both white peoples joining in the celebration. It is rapidly becoming a day of thanksgiving for the progress of white civilization on the sub-continent.

TRAGEDY OF A REHEARSAL.

Schoolboy Kills Companion in Mock Shooting Incident.

Dauphin, Man., Dec. 17.—During the preparation of a dialogue for a Christmas programme in the local school Gordon Galbraith, aged fifteen, was mortally wounded by a companion, Alfred Gray. In the dialogue there was a mock shooting incident. Gray picked up a rifle and aimed at Galbraith, not knowing the gun was loaded. The discharge entered the latter's stomach.



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## JURY FINDS COMPANY WAS NEGLIGENT

Legal Points Are Yet to Be Argued in Crompton vs. B. G. Electric.

In the case of Crompton vs. the B. G. Electric Railway Company a county court jury, yesterday afternoon, returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, assessing the damage sustained by him through a shock from the company's light wires at \$1,000, the full amount claimed. The jury, answering the questions as to negligence, found that the company was negligent in having strung its wires so close together where passing through tree-tops, and that the plaintiff was not guilty of contributory negligence.

On Saturday morning legal argument will be heard by Judge Lampman on several points. These include the plaintiff's contention that the company is liable for all damage, irrespective of questions of negligence, and the defendant company plea that the action was not brought within six months and is therefore barred. A. B. McPhillips, K. C. for the company, in his address to the jury, contended that there was contributory negligence on the part of Frank Crompton, inasmuch as he had felt a slight shock when he first touched the light and should have been warned by this to keep away from it. As he continued in the vicinity he did so at his own peril. This was the first case of the kind in the history of the company. Its installation and equipment were of the best and it had done all that could be reasonably required of it. It could not, therefore, be held guilty of negligence and without negligence there could be no liability.

J. A. Aikman, for the plaintiff, pointed out that there was no dispute as to his client having received serious injury from an excessive electric current conveyed by the defendant company's wires. The company permitted its wires to be strung through trees, knowing the danger of their crossing in wind storms. This constituted negligence on their part and his client was entitled to damages. The amount asked for was not excessive in view of all the circumstances.

In summing up to the jury, Judge Lampman remarked that if such a generally-used convenience as electricity could not be supplied without risk of death or injury to the consumers, it was the duty of the company to discontinue the supply. The jury returned their verdict as stated. Judgment will be delivered after the legal arguments have been considered.

## BARACA CLASS GIVES ITS ANNUAL DINNER

Enjoyable Evening Spent at Victoria Hall Last Evening.

Last evening at the Victoria hall, Blanchard street, the Baraca class of the First Baptist church held its second annual dinner. For the occasion the hall had been tastefully decorated with flags and streamers, while the football of the class indicating its interest in athletics as well as in more serious matters, was suspended in the centre of the room.

A most inviting repast had been provided by the ladies of the Philathea class—the Philathea being the feminine development of the Baraca idea. These young ladies also waited on the tables.

The duties of toast master were discharged by J. L. Beckwith, who read a letter from the premier regretting his inability, owing to his having to leave the city, to attend the banquet and wishing the class every prosperity.

A lengthy toast list was honored, among those who spoke being Messrs. J. S. Beckwith, Geo. Carter, Geo. Bishop, Ald. Gleason, R. W. Coleman, F. G. Porteous, Rev. C. Burnett, J. Gardner Findlay, R. J. Mackenzie, J. W. H. King, Geo. Scott, J. Wilson, Noah Shakespeare, W. H. Parsons and A. T. Frazer.

Songs were given by A. H. Morrison, W. G. Findlay and F. R. Pomfret, A. R. Dobson acting as accompanist.

The Baraca movement was naturally the theme of most of the speakers, and in the remarks of a number of them, notably Messrs. Carter, Coleman, Shakespeare, Parsons and Rev. Mr. Burnett, a good outline of its origin, growth and significance was given. It is really only seven or eight years old, but in that time has spread so rapidly that it now numbers about 75,000 members. There are eight of these classes now in British Columbia and in the parent class is that of the First Baptist church which owes its existence largely to the energy and enthusiasm of R. W. Coleman. Starting less than two years ago with six members, this example to emulate there has recently been organized in the same church a Philathea class, which starting six weeks ago with a membership of seven or eight, has in that short time increased its enrollment to nearly thirty.

The object of these classes is the study of the Bible in a rational way and the living of its truths by Baraca members in a way that will appeal to vigorous young manhood. Rev. Mr. Burnett, whose up-to-date methods as a Baraca teacher were highly commended by several of the visitors last night, is a strong apostle of "red blood" Christianity and warned the young men present that when they were exhorted to "put off the old man" they were certainly not expected to "put on the old woman." The activities of the class are not confined to the study of the Bible but extend to the athletic field and to the duties of citizenship.

In the organization of last year young men which sat around the tables at Victoria hall, evening the First Baptist church has an organization for the purpose of the church and for its own sake.



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## TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Gathering of Representatives of Unions Was Held Last Night.

The Victoria Trades and Labor Council held its regular meeting last evening. President McKay occupied the chair and there was a good attendance of delegates present.

On behalf of the executive the president reported that they had, at the invitation of the local Bookbinders' Union, attended a mass meeting of that body, held for the purpose of receiving and hearing Robert Gloecking, president of the Bookbinders' International Union. He reported that Mr. Gloecking's address was one of the most interesting that the executive ever had the pleasure of listening to, and it was much to be regretted that previous engagements prevented him remaining in the city long enough to address a mass meeting of all the unions.

The executive also recommended that immediate steps be taken to interview all prospective candidates for mayor or alderman and their opinions obtained on questions of grave import to labor. Their stand was especially to be sought on the question of the adoption of a minimum wage scale to be inserted in all contracts that may be let by the city council.

On behalf of the organizing committee, the secretary reported that a large attendance was taken to the interview of the city and vicinity had been held recently. Those present were very enthusiastic and there was every prospect of a strong union being brought into existence in a short time.

The manager of the Standard Steam Laundry wrote to say that the laundry employed only white labor and paid the highest wages of any laundry on the Pacific coast. The secretary was instructed to write and say that the council appreciated the above conditions and would do its utmost to increase the business of the Standard laundry.

The Laborers' Union wrote asking the labor council to use its influence with the city council to bring about the establishment of a weekly pay day for all city employees.

The secretary and executive were instructed to draw up a strong memorial in favor of a weekly pay day, pointing out the advantages of such a change both for the workmen and the business men. The executive was also instructed to act in conjunction with the Laborers' Union with the same object in view.

Bills for goods from Weller Bros. and Victoria Book and Stationery Company were ordered paid.

The official year now drawing to a close called for the transaction of a large amount of routine business, after which the council adjourned until next Friday evening.

## FAITHLESS SWAIN MUST PAY \$3,500

Montreal Girl Wins Action for Breach of Promise of Marriage.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—Friendship between a couple living in the same boarding house in Montreal, and which developed into a greater intimacy, finally ended in a breach of promise suit that was heard before Mr. Justice Curran, terminating when the jury decided that Miss Emma G. Sims, the plaintiff, suffered damages to the extent of \$3,500, which will have to be paid by R. C. Bach, of Montreal, who married another girl. Miss Sims sued for \$10,000 damages, but the jury reduced the amount.

Post cards, a lock of hair and two rings were, according to the evidence, among the articles which Mr. Bach and Miss Sims exchanged while living in the same boarding house. From the ensemble of documents produced, including letters and post cards, Mr. Justice Curran remarked in his charge that if they were only friends at this stage, they were very strong friends.

Both Mr. Bach and Miss Sims entered the witness box and gave evidence during the course of the trial. In the course of her testimony Miss Sims admitted that she had asked Bach in a spirit of fun to write her a proposition for engagement, and that she was present when he did so.

Later, in the course of their acquaintance, the intimacy of the couple became so great that, according to the evidence, Miss Sims advanced Bach certain sums of money. In letters which Bach wrote to Miss Sims at this time he also told her that he was very lonely.

In her evidence Miss Sims swore that the defendant promised to marry her, and fixed the date.

Then followed the most remarkable feature of the case. Miss Sims said that Bach, shortly after fixing the date arranged to leave her for a time in order to take a trip to the West. She ascertained, however, that he had purchased two railway tickets, and when she finally demanded that he should show her the tickets, he said the second ticket was for his sister.

After leaving her Miss Sims heard that he had married a girl from New York. On hearing this news she says she fainted. Soon afterwards, however, she decided to follow the couple out West, and after arriving in Brandon, Man., met Bach face to face.

Another curious feature of the case followed this meeting. Bach and Miss Sims went to a hotel together, after they met in Brandon, and in the hotel Miss Sims wrote a letter asking forgiveness. "Forgiveness for what?" asked Mr. Justice Curran in his charge. That question, however, could not be definitely answered from the evidence. Bach, when he described in the wit-

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ness box the scene in the hotel room when Miss Sims wrote this letter, said that while she was doing so he continued to write a business order, and that there was a commercial traveling in the room at the time. By transacting his business in this way in the midst of the trouble, Mr. Justice Curran remarked that the plaintiff did not show herself to be very poetical.

It was claimed on behalf of the defence that when Miss Sims wrote the letter in Brandon, asking for forgiveness, she renounced all right to any claim.

In her suit Miss Sims demanded \$10,000 damages, as she alleged that the whole trouble caused her a severe shock.

On behalf of the defence, it was alleged that when the defendant married Miss Sims knew about it, and the evidence also showed that she knew he had been engaged to another girl. A point to be decided by the jury, however, was whether she had been given to understand that the other engagement had been broken off.

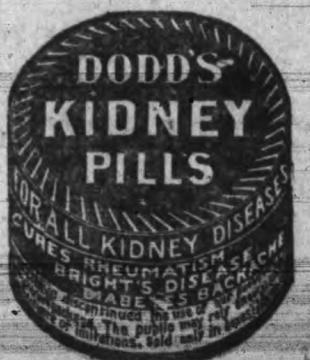
Before retiring, one of the jurors asked his Honor whether, in his opinion, the letter which Miss Sims wrote in the Brandon hotel had the effect of renouncing all claims for damages. Mr. Justice Curran replied that if the circumstances were as described by the defence he would entertain that opinion.

After deliberating for almost an hour the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff.

As a rule, the white flowers are more fragrant than those of other colors.

## MILLIONS IN LONDON CHURCHES

A century ago there were 100 churches within "the square mile" of London City. Now there are little more than half that number. It has been suggested that thirty of these should be demolished and the funds thus liberated employed in church work elsewhere. The site of All Hallows, in Lombard street, is said to be worth \$4,000,000, while that of St. Michael's, Cornhill, is valued at no less than three-quarters of a million sterling. St. Peter's, Cornhill, stands on equally valuable ground. The aggregate site-values of the thirty churches which it is proposed should be incorporated with other parishes is put down at three and a half millions.





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VICTORIA'S CLAIMS AND RIGHTS.

Mr. Lowe, in an interview accorded

a representative of the Times, which

was published last evening, very

coherently and succinctly explained

the position of Victoria in the list of

Pacific Coast cities and placed before

readers his views as to the action

which should be taken to enhance

her natural attractions. Mr. Lowe's

judgment is practically that of every

independent authority who has had

the privilege of making a personal

investigation of the facts. It is that

there is no place upon the coast, not

even excluding the cities of upper or

lower California, which has more

beautiful natural surroundings or a

climate, taking the year round, which

is more pleasantly attractive. The

Times does not think it is necessary

to resort to superlatives in claiming

for this city supremacy in point of

natural charms above all other points

on the continent as a place of residence.

But when we speak of natural

charms such as a genial climate and

entrancing scenery, it must not be

assumed that the last word has been

spoken. The person of leisure, man

or woman, in search of a home must

conclude that the attractions alluded

to are suited only to such as have

reached what may be described as

the ruminative period of life. A

person living in Victoria may sit

down and dream all the day if she

or he be temperamentally inclined

to do. Indeed the charge has some

times been laid at our doors that

as a people we are too much inclined

to that sort of thing for our own

good. And possibly there is a

substratum of truth in the

allegation that the feverish rush

characteristic of places whose

inhabitants make haste to acquire

peils is regarded with philosophic

calm by a happy and contented

people. That is because

they realize that the world has nothing more to give than is theirs from day to day. But there is recreation here, and of the right kind, for all temperamental inclined to a life of activity. The woods abounding with game and the streams and lakes with fish, if that is not sufficient to meet the requirements of all, there is golf and cricket and lacrosse—field sports of every kind, adapted to the physical condition of all, besides literary and musical circles in which intellectual pleasures may be enjoyed with equal satisfaction.

However, these are merely matters by the way. The point at present is that Victoria has not internally been brought into complete harmony with her external surroundings. Much yet remains to be done to fit her for comparisons with the winter resorts (and they are merely winter resorts) of California. For the present it is admitted that as a commercial centre Victoria cannot hope to compete with the cities which have the advantage of direct rail connection with all parts of the continent. That being apparent, the thing for us to do is make the most of the advantages which we admittedly possess over these places. We are setting our streets in order, a task which will take some little time. That we shall do, and having done it, it is about all we can do because of the limits of our resources. If the work is to be carried to the point aimed at by the optimistic souls who see with the eye of imagination a Victoria of the future, beautiful in all respects, externally and internally, we must have assistance from the provincial government, just as Ottawa is obtaining assistance from the Dominion government, as every capital almost in the world receives assistance from the government of which it is the headquarters. If Victoria is not for the present designed to be a great commercial centre, she is eminently suited to be the educational centre, the art centre, the centre of culture, not only of the province of British Columbia, but of the Dominion of Canada. She is the place endowed by the hand of Nature as the site for the provincial university, an institution whose establishment would properly come within a scheme of general municipal adornment, and we cannot believe that either the government or the legislature will take any other view. We understand that very shortly a deputation will wait upon the provincial government for the purpose of placing the views of the people of Victoria before it, views which doubtless will be reserved for "serious consideration." The deputation, we hope, will not for a moment admit the principle that any programme of improvement can be considered complete which does not include the claims of the city as the site for the provincial university.

"A SERIOUS RESPONSIBILITY."  
It is satisfactory to note that at last the Colonist seems to realize the position in which it has placed itself in the estimation of most lovers of fair play, even in politics. Our contemporary has given an unsolicited undertaking to publish without comment anything appearing in the press condemnatory of its "shameless conduct." Here are two articles, one from the Manitoba Free Press, the other from the Canada Presbyterian, to which we beg respectfully to draw its attention.

Free Press:  
"The Conservative papers published on the Pacific coast—notably the Victoria Colonist and the Vancouver Province—are restive under the criticism which has been passed by the Free Press and the Toronto Globe upon the attitude of the British Columbia electorate in the late Dominion elections. This is a somewhat encouraging sign, because it shows that these newspapers, in the cold light of the month after, are a little ashamed of the part they played during the campaign. Their defence is, in brief, that the people of British Columbia, because they held certain views strongly, were entitled to send to Ottawa people who represent those views. The question of responsibility, however, can hardly be sidetracked quite as easily as this. That the electors of British Columbia held extreme views on the question of the relations which should exist between the Dominion of Canada and the Em-

pire of Japan is a fact; and that, because they held these views, they should have voted against the candidates of the Dominion government, was perhaps inevitable. But the parties primarily responsible for carrying on the agitation which resulted in the electors of British Columbia reaching this state of mind, must bear their responsibility. Chief among those responsible for the attitude of the Conservative party, Mr. Borden; the leaders of the Conservative party, the British Columbia; and the Conservative newspapers of British Columbia, among whom in this matter the Province and the Colonist held a bad pre-eminence. These parties for the base purpose of securing party advantage, played deliberately a game which might have had serious consequences, not only for the Dominion but for the Empire.

"Even if, purely for argument's sake, it be conceded that Canada should not have made itself a party to the British treaty with Japan, it does not follow that in view of occurrence at the coast last year the Canadian government could have cavalierly denounced the treaty with Japan without involving the Empire at large in consequences of moment. The Japan of to-day is a very different proposition from the Japan which years ago submitted with meekness to the discriminations of Natal and Australia. The Canadian government, when faced with a problem of serious world politics, dealt with it like statesmen competent to appreciate the importance of the situation and we have no doubt, if the secrets of statecraft were known, in accordance with the expressed wishes of the Imperial Foreign Office. Their solution of the difficulty, which was the best available at the time, was one which practically met the situation. In a matter of such moment, the government at Ottawa had a right to expect the sympathetic support of all Canadians who were intelligent enough to appreciate the difficulties of the situation.

"It is to the discredit of men like Premier McBride of British Columbia and journals like the Province and the Colonist, that they preferred playing their petty game of provincial partisanship, to giving the Dominion government that measure of support on this question which due regard for their duty as citizens of the Dominion would have obliged them to do. They knew, of course, that they were taking no real risk, because they counted on the sober good-sense of the people of the east preventing the international difficulty becoming sufficiently acute to be dangerous. Thus they succeeded in defeating the Liberal candidates by a disreputable appeal to prejudices which they had themselves excited. Their conduct was mischievous, unpatriotic and discreditable."

Presbyterian:  
"British Columbia's Cabinet Minister, the Hon. Wm. Templeman, owes his defeat in Victoria to the energetic campaign waged against him by the Colonist. The mode of warfare adopted by this prominent newspaper was in some respects an offence against honorable journalism. In particular, the interpretation that it put on the article on Japan appearing in the National Review, over the signature of Mr. Preston, a trade commissioner in that country, was cynically unfair, and the editorial comments were wholly unworthy of the traditions of the Colonist. The hysterical appeal to Victorians to save themselves from the hordes of brown men from the Orient, and such frenzied utterances as 'The eyes of Japan are on Victoria at this time,' and 'It is Japan versus Canada on Monday,' no doubt changed a few votes—Templeman's minority was very small—but the Colonist emerges from the conflict with distinctly lowered prestige."

ENLARGING THE BOUNDS OF FREEDOM.  
The fruit of the Young Turks' political agitation is the establishment of a Turkish Parliament by Abdul the Damned. The Parliament is partly elective and partly appointive. The upper chamber is the constructive work of Abdul himself; the lower is elected by the people, on a franchise which one may be sure is limited in its scope. The "common people" of Turkey, after the experience of the "common people" of many more enlightened countries, will have to prove by the strength of the movement they can raise that they are sufficiently intelligent to be given a voice in the government of the Ottoman Empire. In the meantime they will doubtless be expected to contribute to the revenue upon which the new Parliament is maintained. It is fairly safe to assume also, that no demand has come from the "ladies of the harem" for the right to vote. Yet, unless time turns backward in its flight, in Turkey, as elsewhere, the militant Suffragette will emerge from the seclusion of the harem and demand to be placed upon an equality politically, as she is on an equal plane intellectually, with mere men.

But, seriously, the establishment of a Parliament in Turkey is significant. It follows closely upon the relief of Russia, on paper at least, from the thralldom of autocracy. Whatever conflict there may be in Russia between the hereditary rulers of the people and the representatives of a people who are beginning to see the light of freedom in their institutions, neither the Russian Duma, nor the Ottoman Parliament is likely to be snuffed out of

existence. Events will go marching on until the prerogative of the monarch shall be but a memory and the will of the majority shall be supreme in the affairs of the nation. This is a hopeful sign in portions of the world where but a short time ago internal discontent used to be accepted as a signal for a declaration of war, because aggressions upon neighbors were regarded as constitutional methods for relieving the surcharged feelings of the populace.

It is said Mr. Borden, leader of the Conservative party, will hand in his resignation to the caucus which will be held on the eve of the meeting of Parliament. It will not be accepted, principally for the reason that there is no qualified leader left in the ranks of the party. But there are a considerable number of Conservatives who are far from well pleased with the leadership of Mr. Borden. The party is unquestionably in a bad way. Its only hope lies in the possibility of some undiscovered member of the new House developing the qualities which stamp him as head and shoulders above his fellows. That is a forlorn hope. In this respect the party's position is in strong contrast with that of the Liberals. Mr. Mackenzie King is not the only young man of promise on the government side.

President-elect Taft asserts with emphasis that he really intends to have the tariff revised. So did Roosevelt and McKinley. But their recommendations did not affect Congress. The tariff was revised, but not in the way intended. It was raised, not lowered. The Dingley tariff was an exaggerated McKinley tariff. The question is, will the special session of Congress lower or raise the duties? It will certainly not cut them down if the interests which hitherto have been all-powerful in the lobbies have their way. The interests which call for tariff reduction have no lobby at all.

The municipal elections will not be tame after all. Mr. A. J. Morley has announced that he will be a candidate for Mayor. Mr. Morley's example may inspire others not be backward in coming forward.

The financial crises is not completely at an end in the United States. Some banks are still passing into the hands of receivers.

What Other People Think  
SOUTH SAANICH MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

To the Editor:—I suggest that the unfortunate ratepayers located on Maplewood road beset themselves to secure some pledges from the candidate they support at the approaching election, that, if elected, he will endeavor to see that something is done to retrieve Maplewood road from the state of nature it is in at the end at which it touches the city limits, where it is exactly as it left the hand of Providence, except where I have myself had a few trees cut in the effort to make a trail in to some property I am improving on it about 200 yards from the city boundary.

But the cutting of the trees has availed little because of the astounding profusion of loose stones of all sizes lying on the site of the road, which looks as if that must be desired upon the map, but is otherwise non-existent so far as the hand of man is concerned. If the representatives of the municipality could only be induced to drive over the site of this non-existent road their bowels of compassion must not fail to be moved on their own account, if not on that of the poor taxpayers denied a proper means of getting into their property, by the continuous soul-shaking jolting they would receive in the passage. I venture to say that when they get out to help the horse past the larger rocks nothing would prevail upon them to remount. A strange state of things this at the city limits in a municipality having such excellent roads running miles further out into the country in several directions, and, to add to the strangeness of it, the road has been made passable a mile or so further out. I shall be glad to co-operate with any other Maplewood road proprietors who may be disposed to unite in an effort to get this matter put right. I may state that I wrote the reeve on the subject some time ago, but, so far, without reply. As, however, he is said to be a man who gives proper attention to the duties of his office, I deprecate the letter did not reach him.  
S. G. PETHERSTON.  
Cewar Vale, Victoria, 15th Dec. 1908.

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Editor:—Permit me to state through the columns of your paper, in reply to many inquiries and requests, that it is my intention to contest the mayoralty.

Permit me further to suggest that, whereas in past campaigns, insufficient time or opportunity has been afforded candidates for full public discussion, and it is most important at this juncture when large expenditures are being made that the electors should be made fully acquainted with the affairs of the city, that an evening be set apart for a mass date as possible to afford the majority candidates a full opportunity for discussion and replying to questions.

At this meeting it will afford me much pleasure to assist Mayor Hall to fill in the details to the electors of the year's work of the council presented by him on Tuesday evening.  
A. J. MORLEY.

A CHRISTMAS HYMN OF PRAISE.  
Come, ye saints, arise to welcome  
This happy Christmas morn;  
Joyful be your thanks to heaven,  
For to-day our Lord was born.

Grateful be your hearts for blessings  
Poured upon you from on high;  
The Holy Babe of Bethlehem comes,  
See Him in the manger lie.

Ho, the Saviour of mankind,  
Has come the Cross to bear;  
O ye saints, arise and praise Him,  
Give Him all and every care.

Let loud Hosannas fill His temple  
Early on this Christmas morn;  
Thanks be unto God the Father,  
For to-day the Son was born.  
E. M. H. (Age 14 years).

PAWN BROKING EXTRAORDINARY  
Italians Rush to the "Mount of Pity."  
—Signs of Poverty in Rome.  
A most interesting indication of the condition of the classes in Italy has been afforded by the pawnbroking statistics just issued. The "Mount of Pity," as it is called in Rome, is under government control and is largely resorted to by the lower middle class in times of stress.

In 1907 there were 1,012,082 objects pawned in Rome, for which \$925,410 were disbursed, while the year before the objects were more, but of less value. In fact, last year objects of the value of a quarter to a \$5, and from \$5 to \$20 or \$40, diminished sensibly, while those above \$50 increased considerably.

Of the 1,012,082 objects pawned in 1907, 62.81 per cent. were reclaimed, 27.20 per cent. were renewed, and 7.17 per cent. sold at the pawnshop. The pawnshops received this large number of objects during 297 days—that is, there was an average of 3,407 a day, with an average recompense of \$14.205 daily, among a population of 600,000. The greatest run on the "Monte" was in January and October, explainable by the Italian love of a fête.

Up to 1901 pawning was in continual augmentation, reaching truly immense proportions, but since that date there has been a steady decrease, notwithstanding the great increase of the population in number, but a rise in value, showing plainly that there has been a sensible amelioration in the condition of the working and poorer classes, while the employe class, which is badly paid, is feeling more every year the pressure of high rents and dear food.

The civil servant element which comprises almost half of the population of the Eternal City, is much underpaid, according to modern conditions, many of them receiving less in a year than a good workman, while they and their families must make at least a decent showing before the world. These are the truly needy in Italy.

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German surgeons made the discovery that the delicate membrane that lines the inside of an egg-shell will answer as well as bits of skin from a human being to start healing over by granulation in open wounds which will not otherwise heal. The discovery was used for the first time on a patient in the German hospital in Brooklyn, and it proved to be a successful trial. The patient left the hospital and resumed his customary work a healthy man.

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Shaving Mirrors, 25 to 35 ..... \$1.00  
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Manicure Sets ..... \$2.50 to \$15  
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## TIMES AD. CALENDAR

### DECEMBER

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Perhaps you ought to pay  
a little more rent—perhaps a  
little less. You can decide  
after answering a few ads.

Nothing in the paper is  
read so eagerly as the "Help  
Wanted" ads. Write one—  
and be a "popular author"  
for one day.

## Local News

—Best repair work. Sign of the Big  
Key, 641 Fort street.

—Another shipment of Japanese  
oranges in. No. 1, selling at 75c per  
box. Acton Bros., 650 Yates street.  
Telephone 1061.

—Heavy bark wood, cut 12 inches for  
grate and heater. Cameron Lumber  
Company, Ltd. Phone 919.

—To Seattle 25c. S.S. Whatcom daily  
except Thursday, at 4 p. m.

—Christmas stockings from 10c to 50c;  
Bon-Bons, from 25c to 50c. A good as-  
sortment to choose from. Come early  
before the rush. Acton Bros., 650 Yates  
street. Telephone 1061.

—To Seattle 25c. S.S. Whatcom daily  
except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

—If you want to buy, sell or ex-  
change anything, call at Brown's Auc-  
tion Mart, 742 Fort street.

—Xmas is close at hand. Buy now  
your Xmas cards, calendars, books and  
novelties from the Standard Stationery  
Company, 1220 Government street.  
Stock the best yet.

—Carvers make excellent Xmas  
Gifts. Stacey's carvers, \$1.25; Elliott's,  
\$2.00; Wootenholm's L.X.L., \$2.50; Wooten-  
holm's Tally Ho carvers, \$1.50; Syl-  
vester's carvers, \$3.25; Rodger's car-  
vers, \$2.50. R. A. Brown, 1302 Douglas  
street.

—Flannelette Special—36 inches wide  
striped flannelette, regular 15c, special  
10c a yard. Robinson's Cash Store, 642  
Yates street.

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express or truck at any hour you may  
wish. Always keep your checks until  
you have seen us, as we will save you  
the 10c on each trunk you have to pay  
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hotel or residence, also store it. See us  
before you make your arrangements.  
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goods. We consider it a favor if you  
will report any overcharges or inciv-  
ility on part of our help.

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wool black cashmere socks, special  
price 25c a pair, 5 pairs for \$1.00. Rob-  
inson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

—Liberal Rooms. Phone 1704.

—The funeral of the late Mrs.  
Catherine Baird Hutchison took place  
yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock  
from the W. B. Smith's undertaking  
parlors. Rev. D. McRae officiated.  
There was a large number of floral of-  
ferings sent. The following acted as  
pallbearers: Alex. Simpson, G. Marsh,  
D. Robertson, R. Robertson, M. Wilson  
and J. McPherson.

## NEEDS VARY

Perhaps it is a bottle of Scotch or a flask of Brandy you wish to buy. In any case, you are sure to find something in my line from the cheapest that's good to the best there is. If you need any of the following, now's the time to buy.

ZINFANDEL CLARET, per bottle ..... 25c  
ROYAL CROWN PORT, per bottle ..... 75c  
ALTO DORADO PORT, per bottle ..... \$1.00  
DEVAR'S SPECIAL, per bottle ..... \$1.00  
COOKING BRANDY, per bottle ..... 25c

## Carne's Up-to-date Grocery

Next to C. P. R. Office. Phone 588. Cor. Fort and Govt. Sts.

—The Natural History Society will  
meet on Monday evening next at the  
Carnegie library.

—R. G. Dunn & Co. are re-establish-  
ing their mercantile agency in the city.  
Arthur E. Mallett, of Vancouver, re-  
presenting the company, recently visit-  
ed Victoria and will look after the  
business.

—The regular Sunday afternoon's  
men's meeting, under the auspices of  
the Y. M. C. A., will be held on Sunday  
at 4 o'clock in the New Grand theatre.  
The speaker for the occasion will be  
Dr. Ernest Hall.

—The Cedar Hill team to play Vic-  
toria West Saturday, will be selected  
from Holmes, Winkler, Collier, Hill,  
Wormold, Dawson, Scott, Tomlinson,  
Donald, Bilsland, F. Miller, J. Miller,  
Jones and Machin.

—The public schools will close to-  
morrow afternoon for the Christmas  
holidays of two weeks. In many of the  
schools the usual closing exercises will  
be held. The pupils of Victoria West,  
South Park and Spring Ridge schools  
have prepared good programmes.

—Cheap coast Christmas excursion  
tickets are offered by the Northern Pa-  
cific to any parts west of Hope,  
Idaho. The rates of a fare and a third  
for the round trip will be charged.  
Tickets will be on sale on December  
23rd, 24th, 25th, 31st and January 1st,  
with a limit up to January 4th.

—The Friendly Help Society once  
more appeals to the public of Victoria  
at Christmas time for special gifts of  
clothing, groceries and mpats, etc., for  
the poor of this city. Cash donations  
will be received at the residence of  
Miss M. Lawson, 100 Kingston street,  
while any gifts of garments, groceries,  
etc., may be left at the Friendly Help  
rooms at the market, on Saturday and  
Monday, between the hours of 10 to 4  
o'clock.

—A sale of work will be held on Sat-  
urday afternoon and evening next in  
the institute hall, under the auspices  
of the members of St. Mary's Sodality.  
A number of novel and appropriate  
Christmas gifts will be on sale. The  
tea rooms will be in charge of Misses  
L. and N. Gray. An excellent musical  
programme has been prepared. The  
proceeds will be devoted to furnishing  
a room in the new wing in St. Joseph's  
hospital.

—The funeral of the late Herbert  
Wellington Walker took place yester-  
day afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the  
residence of Mrs. Bullen, 975 Frederick  
street, when an impressive service was  
conducted by Rev. T. E. Holling. There  
was a large attendance of sympathiz-  
ing friends and a number of floral  
offerings were sent. The following acted  
as pallbearers: H. Young, L. C.  
Monk, J. Renfue, D. Whittier, W. May-  
nard and F. Carne.

—Last evening at the Eagles' hall  
there was a large gathering of the  
members of the order to take part in  
the services in memory of Joseph Rus-  
sell, who was a member of the so-  
ciety. The services were conducted in  
the hall at 8:30, and following that the  
remains were conveyed to the wharf  
and forwarded to Seattle, where they  
will be cremated. The pallbearers  
were: F. LeRoy, D. T. Barnhart, of  
the Eagles; J. C. Watters and M. Mc-  
Gregor, of the Socialist party; and J.  
P. Bryne and J. L. Smith, of the Cigar  
Makers' Union. The first two men-  
tioned accompanied the remains to Se-  
attle.

—On Saturday evening the Watkins  
Jubilee singers will give an entertain-  
ment in the Congregational church.  
The company comes highly recom-  
mended and should draw a very full  
house. For twenty years Mr. Wat-  
kins, the head of the troupe, has been  
in minstrelsy, appearing as the first  
bass with the original Fiske singers.  
His voice has been heard in all parts  
of the continent and always has been  
much enjoyed. With him is Mr. Tay-  
lor, also a member of the original  
Fiske company. A choice programme  
of music will be given. As the enter-  
tainment is given in the church, the  
selections will all be sacred in char-  
acter.

### WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria  
Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 17—3 a. m.—An important  
area of pronounced high barometric  
pressure, central over the Rocky Mountain  
region, covers the entire western portion  
of the country from the Pacific ocean to  
the Great Lakes; further south a  
storm area is central in Arizona, where,  
at Flagstaff, a foot of snow has fallen.  
Elsewhere, both on the Pacific slope and  
in the prairie provinces, the weather is  
fair and cold.

### Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday.  
Victoria and vicinity—Light or moderate  
northerly winds, continued fair and cold.  
Lower Mainland—Light or moderate  
winds, continued fair and cold.

### Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.38; temperature,  
32; minimum, 31; wind, 6 miles N.; rain,  
.62; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.40;  
temperature, 26; minimum, 26; wind, calm;  
weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.48; tempera-  
ture, 16; minimum, 10; wind, 4 miles E.;  
weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.24; tem-  
perature, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles  
N.; weather, clear.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.34; tempera-  
ture, 16; minimum, 16; wind, calm;  
weather, part cloudy.

A Paris schoolgirl of ten has defied an  
author as a man who refuses to allow  
his wife to drive a motor car.

## APPLICANTS SEEK MUNICIPAL FRANCHISE

Many Men Over 60 Years of  
Age Have Made Decla-  
ration.

When the municipal court of revision  
sits on Monday there will be a number  
of applications from persons who have  
made declarations to be put on the list.  
These names for the most part are  
those of persons over 60 years of age,  
who are, according to the ruling of the  
act, held not to be eligible. Their claim  
to the vote will be tested at the court  
of revision. There are also a few ladies  
applying to have their names added.  
A test will be made of the different  
classes.

The list of those who have made de-  
claration is as follows: Wm. Brunell,  
Jas. Green, John Ferrell, H. Wilson,  
Wm. Coates, Chas. E. Ray, C. T. Pen-  
well, J. T. Bunner, Wm. Choesman, J.  
Brown, H. K. Prior, J. H. Cragg, Wm.  
Newbury, Thos. Campbell, J. Garland,  
John Davies, A. Gibson, G. T. Simpson,  
Thos. Luscombe, Jas. Fairful, Geo.  
Moran, S. Creech, Jas. Givens, E. S.  
Shrapnel, Wm. A. Stevens, M. Mc-  
Cahill, H. W. Adams, E. Godson, H.  
W. West, D. G. Walker, A. O. Roy, F.  
H. Bullins, S. Salmond, A. J. Briggs,  
Thos. N. Cordor, S. F. Field, Wm.  
Robinson, E. Germaine, T. N. Wilk-  
inson, Thos. J. Burns, A. Hodness, D.  
Eustace, Thos. Russell, C. Croghar,  
Wm. E. Blackmore, J. W. S. Sweet,  
Wm. E. Jordan, A. W. Dussier, F.  
Swannell, J. H. Post, S. Kirby, Wm.  
Amstie, D. T. Woodruff, F. Sylvester,  
J. Carmichael, T. Bebbington, J. New-  
bigging, R. Eccles, Jas. Simpson, R. M.  
Fullerton, Douglas G. Belleau, E. Lane,  
G. Mahon, V. Lane, Gurtley, J. Pope,  
D. C. Hutchinson, J. D. Fraser, Wm.  
Lachin, W. R. Jones, G. Nelson, G.  
Schmidt, A. J. Leary, J. Rickett, S. A.  
Spencer, A. P. Tryatt, A. C. Charlton,  
G. Richardson, H. Jephson, J. Wilkin-  
son, Wm. W. Perrin, J. Cox, H. Dog-  
son, H. W. Barron, D. D. McIntosh, D.  
A. Ross, A. Horn, W. Graham, A.  
Longfield, A. F. Roy, M. E. Herd, M.  
Hare, H. Cummings, A. Green, A. Ross,  
R. A. Rumball, Miss E. Davies, Miss M.  
J. Roberts, G. Lovatt, Wm. T. Abieson,  
C. W. Aubin, T. G. Rayner, G. H.  
Monteith, Miss M. A. Wilkins, J. Per-  
son, Miss A. C. Fraser, A. Cameron,  
J. P. Coles, Miss K. Connell and Miss  
A. McInnes.

### PANTAGES THEATRE.

Johnson Street House Crowded at  
Every Performance.

La Lole Helene, the dancer, and the  
all star show continue to literally pack  
the Pantages theatre every day and  
an extra matinee on Saturday after-  
noon and an early performance on  
Saturday night have already been  
arranged for to take care of the  
crowds. "A Vision of Salome" is the  
chief attraction of course, but every  
number on the bill must be given credit  
for drawing power.

The Seven Hawaiians, with their  
orchestra and pleasing song accom-  
paniment, is always a big feature on  
any programme.

The work of Francisco Morcel, the  
Venetian violinist, has been a revela-  
tion to Victoria music lovers. The  
horizontal bar and ground acrobatic  
work of McCurn and Grant is excel-  
lent and the picture song "Rainbow"  
and biograph are fully up to standard.

The department of agriculture has  
received from Nachacho some splendid  
specimens of grain, including wheat,  
oats, Indian corn, etc. These have all  
ripened in the district, and are of ex-  
cellent quality. The oats are especial-  
ly heavy and plump, and equal to the  
best grown elsewhere in the province.  
Samples are now placed on exhibition  
by G. B. Martin, of the department.



## Christmas Carols

Played over one of our  
choice pianos will  
brighten your home  
this festive season.  
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houses in London and New York, 50c. to  
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Our stock of English and American  
Vests embrace many novelties not to  
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tablishment. Recently remodelled and refitted, this store has now a magnificent effect par-  
ticularly pleasing to the eye, its elegant fixtures and artistic arrangement in the proper blend-  
ing of wares for harmonious effect proclaim it one of the best equipped jewelry stores in  
Western Canada.



GENERAL VIEW OF W. H. WILKERSON'S STORE, 915 GOVERNMENT STREET.

This is a favorite shopping place just now. Numerous patrons are finding here an exceedingly choice  
display of Christmas goods, unsurpassed in quality, and prices most satisfactory. Many charming  
gift things may be found here priced modestly at 25c. and 50c. This display embraces the very latest crea-  
tions in modern jewelry, sterling silver, English and Canadian plated table ware, cut glass, oak goods,  
English cutlery, leather goods, umbrellas, mission clocks, etc., also an exquisite collection of art china and  
other imported novelties particularly appropriate for this festive season. Natural endowment, long and  
valuable experience in the jewelry business, an extensive connection with the jewelry trade has secured  
for Mr. Wilkerson the best advantages in foreign and home markets. Intending buyers may be assured of  
finding here at all times a large and exclusive stock.

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### RUGBY TEAM CHOSEN TO MEET VANCOUVER

Second Game in McKechnie Cup Series Takes Place on Saturday.

The Rugby team to play Vancouver for the McKechnie cup on Saturday at Brecken Point has been selected, and with two exceptions is the same as that which beat Vancouver here two weeks ago. The alterations are that Lowry replaces Cooper at three-quarters and Miller is on the forward line in place of Loat. The full team with reserves is: Full back, Johnson; three-quarters, Meredith, Lowry, Gillespie and Vincent; five-eighths, Gowan; half backs, Newcombe and Pitts; forwards, Graham (W. S.), Arbuckle, Hopgood, Miller, Benson, Spencer and Sweeney (L.). Reserves, (three-quarters) Thompson and Fadnam; forwards, Jeffs, Plummer, Parker and Morley.

The Victoria team is confident of a win if they get a dry turf, but they are not forecasting what will happen if they are up against frozen ground and a thick fog like the Victoria soccer men were beaten in. The team leaves Friday night and returns Sunday.

#### Bays Meet To-Night.

The J. B. A. A. Rugby squad meets to-night at the club rooms at 9 o'clock for business. A secretary to take hold of the entertainment of the McGill university team visit on January 16th is to be selected and other business will come up.

#### The Stanford Team.

The Cardinals will play at Vancouver on December 25th, 26th and January 1st. The coaches of the university have announced the fifteen and the substitutes to make a trip as follows: Ferris, Higley, Eide, Crawford, Berton, Evans, Miller, forwards; Healey, wing forward; Erb, half; Mitchell, Ganson, fives; Roth, centre; Cook, Holman, wings; Panklner, full. The substitutes will be McGregor, Cheda, Elliott, Drew and Brown. The men will not be accompanied by Trainer Moulton, but Coach Presley and Manager Stewart will make the trip.

### OLYMPIC PRESIDENT DEFENDS COMMITTEE

Says Americans Will Not Be Able to Overthrow Organization.

New York, Dec. 16.—Baron Pierre de Coubertin, president of the international Olympic committee, in a letter addressed to Professor W. M. Sloane, of Columbia university, takes up anew the cudgels of his organization in the fight that has been waged between it and the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States since the Olympic games in London last summer. In his letter to Professor Sloane, who is one of the American members of the international Olympic committee, the baron lodges a spirited protest against the validity of the plan of the American organization to take the lead in calling together the international body of amateur athletic officials which must meet to decide the time, place and other conditions of the Olympic games of 1912.

Baron de Coubertin says that "it is the business of the international Olympic committee to discuss such questions, and we are to meet in Berlin next May, upon the invitation of the Crown Prince, to decide where the Olympiad of 1912 is to take place. We all know, of course, that great efforts have been directed by a few American leaders, three times in ten years, to overthrow the international Olympic committee, but they have failed, and strong and powerful as our committee stands, there seems to be no possibility of overthrowing the present organization."

Professor Sloane declined to comment on the letter.

#### BILLIARDS.

**WILLIE HOPPE'S CHALLENGE.**  
New York, Dec. 16.—Willie Hoppe, the boy billiard champion, has just received his majority, which he signified by a challenge to the world for a billiard match. In a statement which he issued he said: "To show the public that I am sincere in my statement to help put billiards where it belongs, here is a challenge to the world. I will play any billiard player in the world a three, four, five or six-ball match of five hundred points a night, at either style of game, 14-inch ball line, one shot; or 18-inch ball line, two shots; for the sum of from \$1,000 to \$10,000, the match to be played in any city agreed."

#### CHINESE COOK BOOK.

A curious cook book printed in Chinese has just been issued by E. W. Gillett Co., of Toronto. Its object is to encourage the use of Magic Baking Powder and other goods used for domestic purposes, which are manufactured by them. It will no doubt appeal to Chinese cooks for its usefulness as well as its attractiveness. The front page is a lattice of red and white, with a fierce yellow dragon coiled about the title of the book. There are sixty pages in the book—sixty pages of incomprehensible turkey tracks to us—and it is handsomely printed on good paper.

### LONGBOAT WILL RUN SHRUBB NEXT MONTH

Marathon Derby to Be Arranged for World's Champion Long Distance Men.

New York, Dec. 17.—Two more Marathon races are being arranged for at Madison Square Garden. The first is scheduled for the night of January 8th between Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian, vanquisher of Dorando Pietri, and Alfred Shrubbs, the English professional champion. The closing of the series will be the Marathon Derby, with Tom Longboat, John Hayes, Dorando and Alfred Shrubbs as the contestants.

After winning Tuesday night's race, Longboat challenged Shrubbs to run over the Marathon distance, and under the same conditions that governed the two races held at the Garden. Shrubbs wishes a shorter race, not more than fifteen miles, but it is thought that if sufficient inducements are offered the Englishman will accept. Shrubbs is a more scientific runner than either Hayes or Dorando. Dorando rested yesterday. He is under contract to run at Buffalo in about ten days, and he will later run at Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco.

Longboat was around yesterday, feeling little effect of the race. He said there was never a moment from the start to the finish that he could not have gone out and beaten his opponent, and he would have smashed the record had Dorando not showed up during the last five miles. He ran according to the instructions of his manager.

### SQUIRES ANXIOUS FOR ANOTHER FIGHT

Willing to Meet Winner of Burns-Johnson Fight.

The Australian mail received this week brings the following on the Burns-Johnson championship fight:

"The event of the week so far as Australian fight fans are concerned has been an attempt made by Fight Promoter Hugh D. McIntosh to secure the services of Australian champion Bill Squires to train Tommy Burns for his forthcoming contest with Jack Johnson. This move became necessary owing to Jack (Twin) Sullivan, who has been engaged by the champion to join him at his camp at Meadow Bath, missing the steamer that would have landed him in New South Wales in time to spend the last three weeks on the mountains. McIntosh made Squires a liberal offer to join the champion. But the engagement which the Australian champion is at present fulfilling is evidently too lucrative to be thrown up, and although he doubtless appreciated the offer made him he has been compelled to decline to assist the champion in his final work for the contest. McIntosh received a cable from Squires in New Zealand as follows: 'Sorry cannot train Tommy. Wish him luck. Will fight the winner.'"

The challenge issued by the Australian does not come as a surprise, for he announced his intention of seeking the winner before leaving for New Zealand.

The training operations of Burns are attracting a lot of attention from visitors to the mountains and his daily exhibitions are witnessed by large crowds. He is more confident than ever, but will make no mistake about being in good fettle.

"I could get ready in ten days," was the statement made by Jack Johnson at his training quarters. Unfortunately, no true estimation can be gained of the colored man's ability. His sparring partners are like so many playthings to him, but he treats them with the consideration and gentleness that is characteristic of the boxer.

#### HOCKEY.

**VANCOUVER VS. GARRISON.**

On Saturday the Garrison hockey team goes over to Vancouver to play the Vancouver team in the British Columbia coast league and try to bring back to the city the honors lost last week by the Victoria club.

### DICKSON TO STAY WITH THE BEAVERS

Has Lined Up 1909 Team as Strong as Last Year's Winners.

Negotiations between A. R. Dickson, manager of the Beavers, and A. G. Halstead for the transfer of the Vancouver baseball franchise, have now been broken off owing to a hitch in the purchase price, and Dickson will remain as manager.

Dickson announces in Vancouver that he and Halstead could not come to an arrangement and is now making plans for next season. He is informed that the St. Paul club will sell Arbogast, for whom he has made an offer. He has offered Snugden a big advance in salary, but thinks he will not get into the game again. Woods, of the Little Rock club in the Southern league, has been offered and will probably be seen in the time. Woods is an ex-big league back stop, and was the leading catcher in the Southern league last year. He hit around the .280 mark. Dickson has now completed his pitching staff and it will consist of Blackburne, formerly of Victoria; Gilligan and Cristall, in addition to last year's pitchers. Nurdyke will be back at first and Paddock will have regular work. Quigley is to take second and Ole Snyder will be on third.

For infielders Dickson is after Fulton and Walker, Seattle men. For short stop he has opened negotiations for Scharweber, of the Springfield club.

### HOW TO CURE A HEADACHE

To attempt to cure a headache by taking a "headache powder" is like trying to stop a leak in the roof by putting a pan under the dripping water. Chronic headaches are caused by poisoned blood. The blood is poisoned by tissue waste, undigested food and other impurities remaining too long in the system. These poisons are not promptly eliminated because of sick liver, bowels, skin or kidneys. "If the bowels do not move regularly—if there is pain in the back showing kidney trouble—if the skin is sallow or disfigured with pimples—it shows clearly what is causing the headache. "Fruit-a-tives" cure headaches because they cure the cause of headaches. "Fruit-a-tives" act directly on the three great eliminating organs—bowels, kidneys and skin. "Fruit-a-tives" keep the system free of poisons. "Fruit-a-tives" come in two sizes—25c. and 50c. If your dealer does not have them, write to "Fruit-a-tives, Limited, Ottawa."

For outfielders there will be Mahon, Donovan, Monahan, Flannagan, Brooks and Scott. A Philadelphia named Smith has been recommended by Sugden, and Dickson says he can have a trial on that recommendation if he wants one. Dickson says the list is now complete and the Beavers will go into the field next season as strong as ever.

#### A VALUABLE DISCOVERY.

Tenecape, N. S., Dec. 17.—Mrs. Benjamin Brown for years has been searching for a cure for catarrh and throat irritation. When almost in despair she heard of "Catarrhose," and says: "It is an absolute specific that will quickly cure any cold, cough or case of catarrh. It touches the sore spots and goes direct to the source of the trouble." A guarantee of permanent cure goes with Catarrhose. You can't afford to pass it by if suffering from any winter ill. Sold everywhere. Two months' treatment, price \$1; sample size, 25c. Remember the name—"Catarrhose."

#### THE NEW GRAND.

Bill Presented This Week Is One of Best of Season.

"How does he do it?" is the question everyone asks after they see Creo at the New Grand this week. "Creo" is the headline of an all-star bill and is a mystifier that puzzles everyone who sees the act, even to the theatre attaches, for Prof. Boehlke has a cyclorama or circular drop so that he cannot be watched by stage hands as the value of his "Eighth Wonder of the World" lies in absolute secrecy.

The bill as a whole is one of the best of the season so far. Comedy of the roof-raising kind is furnished by Holmes and Holliston and Phil Staats, both acts being punctuated with roars of laughter that can be heard across the street. Miss Holliston has a most infectious laugh herself that takes the

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## STEAMER SUVERIC BRINGS RAW SILK

Proceeds to Seattle After  
Landing 400 Tons of Cargo  
Here.

Steamer Suveric arrived here this morning from Manila, via Hongkong and Yokohama. She came with a light cargo having only 3,000 tons, but it included 62 tons of raw silk valued at something like \$180,000, and there were also several thousand bales of hemp. For Victoria she brought nearly 400 tons, which was unloaded this morning, allowing the steamer to proceed to Seattle this afternoon. The liner also brought 100 sacks of Christmas mail and 35 passengers, only one of whom was white. Three Chinese landed here. This vessel is capable of carrying 11,000 tons so she stood quite high out of the water. She had a pleasant passage across the Pacific, although going north from Hongkong she experienced considerable bad weather. This vessel belongs to Andrew Weir & Co., and is in command of Captain Shotton.

News was brought by the Suveric of the unrest in China following the death of the Emperor and the Dowager Empress. There was a run on the banks at the time of the death, but things are much quieter now.

## ONLY 'FRISCO WHALER TO GO HUNTING

Barque John and Winthrop  
Sails for Southern Seas  
and Japan.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 17.—The barque John and Winthrop, the only one of the sperm whalers sailing from this port, left yesterday on a cruise to the South Seas and along the Japanese coast. She is in command of Capt. W. F. Joseph, who is well known as an experienced whaler and who has seen much service in both branches of the whaling industry, the sperm hunt off shore and the search for the "right" whale in the Behring Sea and the Arctic. Capt. Joseph succeeds Capt. Shogrey, who was in charge of the John and Winthrop for many seasons. No expense was spared by the owners of the sturdy old whaler to make her spick and span for her long voyage. The riggers and carpenters went over her carefully and fixed up all the sore spots. The barque has been fitted with a new topgallant mast and mizen topmast, new davits, new yards and much other first-class gear.

The John and Winthrop has a capacity of 15,000 barrels and her new skipper is confident that they will come back filled. The last season of the John and Winthrop was a successful one and she could have filled more barrels if she had been equipped with them. Besides having everything in the way of first-class gear the John and Winthrop is manned by a picked crew. Because of the flood of whalebone on the market, the owners of the San Francisco steam whaling fleet have decided to lay their vessels to rest for a season. From the old-timers on the beach, with the laying up of the steaming fleet, Capt. Joseph has had his pick of the most experienced men, and before sailing he congratulated himself that he could not put to sea under more favorable circumstances.

## BEACON PICKED UP Supposed to Have Been Used by American Poachers.

(Special Correspondence.)  
Prince Rupert, Dec. 16.—A beacon light was found on Stephens Island this week by Captain Newcomb, of the Canadian fisheries cruiser Kestrel, and brought in to port. It is a large wooden box, four feet high and three feet square, with four light windows, one on three sides and an oil lamp in the bottom which supplied two large burners, making it visible for a long distance. It is supposed to have been used by the American fishing poachers as a beacon to guide them to a safe harbor where they could clean their catch in the Straits Strait, and is the second light found and destroyed by the Kestrel this year.

## LOCATES WRECK OF DIX. Anchor of Tidal Survey Boats Catches in Sunken Craft.

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 17.—What is believed to be the wreck of the steamer Dix, sunk in collision with the steamer Jeannet two years ago last month, has been located by the yawl Foam, which is engaged in tidal observation in connection with the steamer Patterson, of the coast and geodetic survey.

For two days the Foam was anchored in 512 feet of water about a mile off the bell buoy off Aki point. When an attempt was made to weigh the anchor it was found that the mudhook could not be raised. It was finally necessary to ship the line, the end being buoyed so the location is marked. It was in this vicinity that the Dix went down. In the collision 54 people lost their lives and the spot where the Dix sank was never definitely located. The matter will be investigated.

The German barque Magdalene was yesterday safely towed by the tug Tye to Tacoma, her sails having been torn to shreds in the terrible weather she had experienced and her crew fatigued to the point of exhaustion. She will load wheat for the United Kingdom.

## SHIPMENT BY TEHUANTEPEC

FIRST CONSIGNMENT  
ARRIVES ON LONSDALE

Forty-six Days Was Time Consumed From Liverpool to Victoria.

Forty-six days was the time taken to bring freight via the Tehuantepec railway and the Canadian-Mexican steamship line from Liverpool to this port. The steamer Lonsdale arrived this morning, bringing the first consignment by the new route. It was a total shipment of 200 tons of mixed merchandise. It left Liverpool November 1st on the steamer Counselor. There were about six days' delay in all; three caused by a collision at Salina Cruz and three more at Carmen Island, on the Gulf of Mexico, which will be avoided on another trip. It is expected by the management that in future the freight will be landed here well within 43 days from the time of leaving Liverpool.

In order to make closer connection with the Atlantic steamers and the railway, the Canadian-Mexican line will in future leave Salina Cruz five days later than their present schedule calls for. They will then sail direct to Victoria without calling at Carmen Island. In this way they expect to arrive here even earlier in the month than they do at present.

It is thought by the management of the line that a good deal of business will be done in this through route, as the speed with which the freight is handled and the facilities for delivering it in good condition warrant the expectation that it will be used extensively. Besides the through freight the Lonsdale brought 500 tons of salt for Vancouver and something like 40,000 feet of hardwood lumber for the same port. Several passengers came north, among them being Dr. C. J. Stansby, an Englishman who has suffered financially owing to the recent slump in American securities, being forced to drop large blocks of railway and other stocks on which he had a 20 per cent. option. He has been looking over the country in Central and South America, but is not satisfied, and has now decided that this province is the place for him. He will practice surgery in one of the coast cities. He was at Iquique during the riots and also at Lima during some revolutionary troubles, and is glad to be once more beneath the British flag. While at Lima the exchange rates fell about 100 per cent., and so he thought it was time for him to get out. Another passenger was B. T. Godfrey, a mining engineer, who has been looking over some Mexican properties for a Seattle syndicate. He says that as soon as the transportation arrangements improve Mexico will have a great future before her in the mining business.

The officers of the Lonsdale gave further particulars of the collision at Salina Cruz. According to their accounts the vessel was tied to the wharf when the steamer Virginian, of the American-Hawaiian line, entered. The wind caught the Virginian just as she was passing and swung her so that she rammed the Lonsdale just astern of amidship, knocking a couple of holes in her bulwarks. She then scraped along her side and did some damage forward.

## CAPTAIN POURED OIL ON TROUBLED WATER

According to an Australian exchange the captain of the German steamship Prinz Waldemar found it necessary to pour oil on the waters of the Pacific in order to smooth the way during a typhoon in the neighborhood of Hongkong. The wind came in from the E. S. E. and roared with the force of a hurricane. Tremendous seas were soon assailing the ship from all sides, and she pitched, rolled, and labored in alarming fashion. Great seas lashed feather, white by the fury of the blow, thundered aboard the vessel, and soon broke in the cabin windows, but little could be done to prevent the water getting aboard.

At last extremity the captain bore the vessel to, and ordered oil to be poured from the forward bathroom ports on either side and the effect was miraculous. The "break" disappeared from the seas, and no more water found its way aboard, the ship riding out the high seas comfortably. The typhoon lasted 36 hours, and the steamer arrived at Manila two days late. Whilst in port there a third typhoon swept over the place, some of the squalls reaching a velocity of 100 miles per hour. Much damage was done ashore, but the Prinz Waldemar rode out the storm safely at anchor. She was delayed another 24 hours there awaiting fair weather.

When passing through the tail of a typhoon a short time before the plane broke loose on the same steamer and banged from side to side until reduced to matchwood.

CUTTER AS LIFEBOAT.  
Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 17.—Revenue cutter Manning has been ordered from San Francisco to Neah Bay for duty in the lifesaving service until the arrival of the tug Seabornish, which is on her way from the east to the station at Wadsworth Island.

## SEALSKINS BRINGING VERY GOOD PRICES

Average of About Twenty Dollars is Being Received for Local Pelts.

Word has been received from London that the seal skins have been bringing a good price at the first annual sale at Lamson & Co., which commenced this morning. The skins are going at about the same price as last year, in the neighborhood of \$20 each.

This is the big sale of the season, and is watched with interest everywhere. In the neighborhood of a million dollars' worth of skins are being offered to-day and to-morrow and the prices obtained at this sale are a criterion of those which will be obtained at the latter sales for the skins which have not yet arrived in London. The Hudson's Bay Company also holds sales about the same time as Lamson & Co., but theirs is overshadowed by the larger one. The Hudson's Bay Company sells more furs of land animals than seals.

## RAN THROUGH 96-MILE AVENUE OF ICEBERGS

Barque Australia Has Weird  
Experience of Sequake in  
Southern Waters.

The Liverpool four-masted barque Australia, from Pisagua, for Fairmuth, which was twenty days overdue, and on which 90 guineas premium had been paid at Lloyd's, arrived at Fairmuth. It was feared that the vessel, which carries thirty hands, and represents a value of \$200,000, had met with disaster among the icebergs reported in the South Atlantic.

On this point Capt. Wolfe had something to say. Relating his experience, the captain said that on August 17th, when in latitude 40° 58' S., longitude 88° 50', they experienced a tremendous earthquake shock. The first sign of this was the distant rumbling sound, which rapidly grew nearer, until they could not hear themselves speak. At this stage the vessel appeared to stand still, apparently having lost all way. She quivered as if she had come in contact with a rock. The sensation was most weird, and lasted fully thirty seconds. It occurred about 1,000 miles west of Valdivia. The first sign of icebergs was on September 3rd at 7:30 a. m., when some small ones made their appearance, followed by thirteen more, the largest being a mile and half square, 350 feet high, and flat on the top.

It was by no means a pleasant prospect to go through the night with these in the vicinity. This was, however, successfully accomplished, and it was with a sense of relief when daylight came at 8:30 a. m. next day and there was no ice to be seen. Later ice was again noticed as far as the eye could see east and west of the vessel. It was estimated that the Australia ran over 90 miles with icebergs on either side.

## SHIPPING REPORT

Tatoosh, Dec. 17, 8 a. m.—Clear; wind east 16 miles; barometer, 30.37; temperature, 40. Passed in steamer at 6:50 p. m. Passed out vessel towing at 5 a. m. Pacha, Dec. 17, 1 a. m.—Part cloudy; calm; barometer, 30.2; temperature, 38. Sea smooth. No shipping. Estevan, Dec. 17, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; barometer, 30.40; temperature, 38. Sea smooth. In communication with Sitka.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 17, 8 a. m.—Light snow falling; calm; barometer, 30.28; temperature, 32. Sea smooth. At 10 p. m. spoke steamer Humboldt south of Cape Mudge, bound south. At 10:15 spoke steamer Yucatan at Nanaimo.

Point Grey, Dec. 17, 8 a. m.—Part cloudy; calm; barometer, 29.97; temperature, 33. No shipping. Gonzales Hill, Dec. 17, 8 a. m.—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, 34.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 17, noon.—Part cloudy; calm; barometer, 30.38; temperature, 40. Sea smooth. At noon spoke steamer Yucatan north bound near Seymour Narrows.

Point Grey, Dec. 17, noon.—Clear; calm; fog over land; barometer, 29.98; temperature, 38. Spoke steamer Humboldt at 10:20 a. m.

Tatoosh, Dec. 17, noon.—Clear; wind east 15 miles; barometer, 30.43; temperature, 40.

Estevan, Dec. 17, noon.—Cloudy; calm; barometer, 30.46; temperature, 39. Sea smooth. Pacha, Dec. 17, noon.—Clear; wind southeast; barometer, 30.30; temperature, 40. Sea smooth.

Ship Eskima M. Phelps has been chartered to carry salmon and general merchandise to New York. She is now at Seattle where she will load. Her charterers are the Kelly-Clark Co.

A Liverpool Telegram states that the board of trade has decided to hold an inquiry concerning the missing steamer Nicaraguan.

## COASTWISE LUMBER

RATES ARE FIRMER

Advance of Twenty-five Cents Per Thousand to Californian Ports.

The most interesting feature of last week's charter market was the fixing of two union ships to load grain for the United Kingdom, says the Seattle P. I. These are the Agnes Oswald and Archibald Russell.

Shipping circles were surprised at this development as it was well known that the combination rate of 27 shillings, 6 pence, could not be obtained. However, it is understood the owners have not violated their agreements as the charterers are owners' account. Instead of accepting from 22 to 24 shillings, the prevailing rate for grain, the owners have purchased cargoes of wheat and will send their ships home, hoping to sell the cargoes at a figure that will net them at least the expenses of the voyage. To all intents and purposes the owners are offering the rate and if there is any loss it will be charged to the cargo. Thus the owners have not broken the terms of the union agreement.

The French ship Laene, loading grain at Seattle, and German bark Magdalene, which will take wheat at Tacoma, are getting union rates, having been fixed several months ago, when higher freights were offering. No one will say what the prevailing rate for grain is as the charter market is seriously depressed. However, a steamer was fixed last week, Portland to United Kingdom, at 24 shillings, which is about the same as has been offered for the past month.

Coastwise lumber rates are a trifle firmer. The weekly circular of the Shipowners' Association of the Pacific Coast notes an advance of 35 cents per thousand from Puget sound and other Northern lumber ports to California.

The rates now quoted are: Puget sound, Grays Harbor, Willapa Harbor and Columbia river to San Francisco, \$3.75; to Southern California, \$4.50. Coos Bay and Humboldt Bay to San Francisco, \$4.50; to Southern California, \$4.25. Mendocino ports to San Francisco, \$3.25; to Southern California, \$3.75.

The following charters for last week are announced: Steamer Marshfield, Columbia river to San Francisco, \$4; schooner, Endeavor, Columbia river to San Pedro, \$4.25; steamer Bandon and Winnebago Coos Bay to San Pedro, \$4.25 and \$4, respectively; barkentine, Wrestler, Grays Harbor to Puget sound to San Francisco, \$3.75; schooner, Bainbridge, Puget sound to Suva, private terms.

The British barque Lord Shaftesbury will receive 28 shillings, 3 pence, for carrying lumber from British Columbia to Sydney. The British ship Craigmore's rate is 42 shillings, 6 pence (less shilling, 3 pence if steady berth), lumber from Puget sound to Callao. The French barque Sully, loading grain at Portland, gets union rates, but the French barque Martha Roux will proceed from San Francisco to Sydney in ballast. The French ship Anieries will load lumber, Astoria to Melbourne, 30 shillings (part cargo).

The Norwegian steamer Sverre, 2,328 tons net, has been fixed by W. R. Grace & Co. to carry general cargo from Humboldt bay and Puget sound to Panama and the West Coast. The vessel is taken on time, private terms.

It was recently reported that W. R. Grace & Co. had chartered the Norwegian steamer Eir, disengaged at Esquimalt. This was an error, as the Eir is still seeking charter. Grace & Co. at present have the Norwegian steamer Cecil and Hornelen under time charter, the former having been dispatched from the Sound in October and the Hornelen sailing in November. Both had part cargo for Panama, the balance for Peru and Chile. They will return to the Sound with nitrate and ore.

## CADET DROWNED. Washed Overboard in the Southern Ocean During a Hard Blow.

Advices from Australia tell of the loss of one of the cadets from the White Star training ship on her way from Liverpool to Sydney.

During a hard blow with a tremendous sea in the southern ocean she gave a terrible lurch to port, standing almost on her beam ends. Sydney Ward, one of the ship's 40 cadets, who was on the poop at the time, heaving the log, was thrown down against the leeward rail, but the ship had rolled to such a great angle that he went right overboard, and an officer nearly suffocated the same fate. The alarm was raised, but the Mersey continued to roll so badly that it was some little time before a lifebuoy could be thrown to him.

The crew were quickly at their posts, but the night was very dark and wild, and although volunteers offered to man a boat to attempt to recover young Ward, Capt. Corner forbade it, as he knew that the gallant volunteers would surely be lost as well. The ship had been hove-to, and when it was seen that rescue was impossible she was put on her course again, and the unfortunate lad was never seen again. The loss of young Ward cast a gloom over the ship for the remainder of the voyage.

Steamship Queen arrived from San Francisco last night, bringing a quantity of freight and a few passengers. The passengers for Victoria were: C. E. King and wife, A. Buther, Lillian Selwood and W. T. Osborn and wife.

Cape Race, Nfld., Dec. 17.—Steamer Baltic, from Liverpool and Queenstown for New York, was 1,234 miles east of Sandyhook at 10 a. m. She will dock about 9 a. m. on Monday.

## DISCOVERIES AT POMPEII.

Supposed Traces of Suburban Necropolis Mentioned by Pliny.

The ministry of public instruction has received a report from Professor Antonio Soliano, director of the excavations at Pompeii, in which he says:

"The long and narrow street of excavation outside the Porta Vesuvio (the Vesuvian Gate) has been attended with remarkable success. Along the public road, a few yards outside the gate, three sepulchral monuments have been brought to light, one after the other, the first having been erected to an Aedile, or magistrate, named Lucius Vestorius Priscus. It consists of an altar decorated in stucco between four pillars also covered with stucco, and which give indications that they were originally colored vermilion. The whole stands in a rectangular enclosure.

"The second monument, however, is the most beautiful, and consists of a slender column with two bases, a square one on which is the inscription, and under it the second, circular in form, adorned with a semi-circular seat known as a schola, completed at each end by a plinth with bas-reliefs. It has been ascertained that it was completed by a sundial, emblematic of time which runs towards eternity, and which was, moreover, the original, of the celebrated sundial to be seen in the museum at Naples.

"The third monument is a square block of stone surmounted by an elegant column in tufa, which, unfortunately, is in a rather bad condition. On the front of the block is an inscription by which it is learned that the monument was erected to a matron called Septimia by her daughter, and that, as in the first case, the land was granted by the city, which gave the usual 5,000 sesterces for the funeral, showing that the matron was either much beloved by the people or was nearly connected with some great personage.

The excavations have now ceased for the winter, except in a spasmodic way, on account of the bad weather. Serious hopes are entertained that this is the beginning of the unearthing of the long-sought Pompeian suburban necropolis spoken of by Pliny.

## TIDE TABLE.

| Victoria, B. C., December, 1908. |                    |                   |                    |                   |                    |                   |                    |                   |                    |
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| Date.                            | Time of High Tide. | Time of Low Tide. | Time of High Tide. | Time of Low Tide. | Time of High Tide. | Time of Low Tide. | Time of High Tide. | Time of Low Tide. | Time of High Tide. |
| 1                                | 2:30               | 8:30              | 10:30              | 4:30              | 12:45              | 6:45              | 2:45               | 8:45              | 10:45              |
| 2                                | 3:15               | 9:15              | 11:15              | 5:15              | 1:30               | 7:30              | 3:30               | 9:30              | 11:30              |
| 3                                | 4:00               | 10:00             | 12:00              | 6:00              | 2:15               | 8:15              | 4:15               | 10:15             | 12:15              |
| 4                                | 4:45               | 10:45             | 12:45              | 6:45              | 3:00               | 9:00              | 5:00               | 11:00             | 1:00               |
| 5                                | 5:30               | 11:30             | 1:30               | 7:30              | 3:45               | 9:45              | 5:45               | 11:45             | 1:45               |
| 6                                | 6:15               | 12:15             | 2:15               | 8:15              | 4:30               | 10:30             | 6:30               | 12:30             | 2:30               |
| 7                                | 7:00               | 1:00              | 3:00               | 9:00              | 5:15               | 11:15             | 7:15               | 1:15              | 3:15               |
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| 13                               | 11:30              | 5:30              | 7:30               | 1:30              | 9:45               | 3:45              | 11:45              | 5:45              | 7:45               |
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| 15                               | 1:00               | 7:00              | 9:00               | 3:00              | 11:15              | 5:15              | 1:15               | 7:15              | 9:15               |
| 16                               | 1:45               | 7:45              | 9:45               | 3:45              | 12:00              | 6:00              | 2:00               | 8:00              | 10:00              |
| 17                               | 2:30               | 8:30              | 10:30              | 4:30              | 12:45              | 6:45              | 2:45               | 8:45              | 10:45              |
| 18                               | 3:15               | 9:15              | 11:15              | 5:15              | 1:30               | 7:30              | 3:30               | 9:30              | 11:30              |
| 19                               | 4:00               | 10:00             | 12:00              | 6:00              | 2:15               | 8:15              | 4:15               | 10:15             | 12:15              |
| 20                               | 4:45               | 10:45             | 12:45              | 6:45              | 3:00               | 9:00              | 5:00               | 11:00             | 1:00               |
| 21                               | 5:30               | 11:30             | 1:30               | 7:30              | 3:45               | 9:45              | 5:45               | 11:45             | 1:45               |
| 22                               | 6:15               | 12:15             | 2:15               | 8:15              | 4:30               | 10:30             | 6:30               | 12:30             | 2:30               |
| 23                               | 7:00               | 1:00              | 3:00               | 9:00              | 5:15               | 11:15             | 7:15               | 1:15              | 3:15               |
| 24                               | 7:45               | 1:45              | 3:45               | 9:45              | 6:00               | 12:00             | 8:00               | 2:00              | 4:00               |
| 25                               | 8:30               | 2:30              | 4:30               | 10:30             | 6:45               | 12:45             | 8:45               | 2:45              | 4:45               |
| 26                               | 9:15               | 3:15              | 5:15               | 11:15             | 7:30               | 1:30              | 9:30               | 3:30              | 5:30               |
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| 29                               | 11:30              | 5:30              | 7:30               | 1:30              | 9:45               | 3:45              | 11:45              | 5:45              | 7:45               |
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The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height are in feet above the average level of the lowest low water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

## SHIPPING GUIDE.

### OCEAN STEAMSHIPS

| Vessel.            | From the Orient. | Due.    |
|--------------------|------------------|---------|
| Empress of China   | Montevideo       | Dec. 18 |
| Montevideo         | Jan. 8           |         |
| Aorangi            | From Mexico.     | Jan. 14 |
| Georgia            | From Liverpool.  | Jan. 16 |
| Titan              | From Glasgow.    | Dec. 22 |
| Princess Charlotte | From Australia.  | Dec. 21 |

| TO               | For the Orient. | Due.    |
|------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Aki Maru         | For Australia.  | Dec. 22 |
| Empress of China | For Mexico.     | Jan. 6  |
| Makura           | For Liverpool.  | Jan. 1  |
| Lonsdale         | For Mexico.     | Dec. 31 |
| Teucer           | For Liverpool.  | Dec. 31 |

| SAILING VESSELS | TO ARRIVE    | From.     | Left.     | Date. | Port. |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|
| Portman         | From Boston. | Sept. 14. | Vancouver |       |       |

### COASTWISE STEAMERS

| Vessel.              | From San Francisco.        | Due.    |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| City of Poughkeepsie | From Skagway.              | Dec. 21 |
| Princess May         | From Northern B. C. Ports. | Dec. 24 |
| Princess Beatrice    | From Victoria.             | Dec. 18 |
| Venture              | From Victoria.             | Dec. 23 |
| Queen City           | From West Coast.           | Dec. 24 |

### TO SAIL.

| Vessel.      | For Skagway.              | Left.   | Date. | Port. |
|--------------|---------------------------|---------|-------|-------|
| Princess May | For Northern B. C. Ports. | Dec. 25 |       |       |
| Vado         | For West Coast.           | Dec. 27 |       |       |
| Queen City   | For West Coast.           | Dec. 27 |       |       |
| Teos         | For San Francisco.        | Dec. 26 |       |       |

### FERRY SERVICE

S. S. Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at midnight, arriving at Vancouver at 7:30 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 1 p. m., arriving in Victoria at 6 p. m. S. S. Princess Royal leaves



# THE LAST FRIDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS

**T**O-MORROW BEING THE LAST FRIDAY BARGAIN DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS, will be a memorable one both to the shopping public and ourselves. Such an array of values as we offer cannot fail to create for us a new record for a day's selling, while with the public these values will long be remembered as being extraordinary for this time of year. In addition to these mentioned we have many others. See to-morrow's "Colonist" for TWO WHOLE PAGES OF CHRISTMAS BARGAINS.

## Friday's Bargains in Fancy Combs and Jewelry

Our whole stock of fancy Back Combs with Rhinestone settings and sterling silver mountings go on sale to-morrow. These are our highest grade goods. In addition we will offer a lot of barrettes and hair ornaments; also jewelled hat pins and souvenir jewelry, and other articles, all at great savings. From this list you can select splendid gifts, either expensive or inexpensive.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| ONE PAIR JEWELLED SIDE COMBS, were \$8.75. To-morrow's price <b>\$3.00</b>                   | SOUVENIR PINS, sterling silver and hard enamel. Regular 50c. To-morrow <b>25c</b>                 |
| TWO ONLY, PEARL AND RHINESTONE NECKLETS, regular \$5.50. To-morrow's price <b>\$3.50</b>     | LEATHER WRIST PURSES, for holding car tickets and small change. Regular 35c. To-morrow <b>10c</b> |
| JEWELLED HAIR BARRETTE, regular 50c. To-morrow <b>25c</b>                                    | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$8.75, to-morrow's price <b>\$3.00</b>                                  |
| JEWELLED HAIR BARRETTE, regular \$1.00, \$1.75 and \$1.50. To-morrow's price <b>50c</b>      | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$4.50. To-morrow's price <b>\$2.50</b>                                  |
| PLAIN SHELL HAIR BARRETTE, regular 40c and 50c. To-morrow's price <b>25c</b>                 | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$5.00. To-morrow's price <b>\$2.50</b>                                  |
| HAIR BARRETTE, plain shell, regular 15c and 25c. To-morrow's price <b>10c</b>                | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$4.50. To-morrow's price <b>\$2.00</b>                                  |
| JEWELLED HAT PINS, special to-morrow at 10c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and <b>\$1.50</b> | THREE ONLY BACK COMBS, were \$3. To-morrow's price <b>\$2</b>                                     |
| CHAINS, cased in gold, with souvenir locket. Regular 50c. To-morrow <b>25c</b>               | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$1.75. To-morrow's price <b>\$1.00</b>                                  |
| SOUVENIR PINS AND BROOCHES, regular 25c. To-morrow <b>10c</b>                                | TWO ONLY, BACK COMBS, were \$17.50. To-morrow's price <b>\$11.50</b>                              |
| ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$6.00. To-morrow's price <b>\$3.00</b>                             | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$20.00. To-morrow's price <b>\$14.50</b>                                |
|  | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$9.00. To-morrow's price <b>\$6.50</b>                                  |
|  | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$6.50. To-morrow's price <b>\$4.50</b>                                  |
|  | ONE ONLY, BACK COMB, was \$8.75. To-morrow's price <b>\$3.50</b>                                  |

## Friday Bargains in House-keeping Helps

Many articles here mentioned that would make most welcome gifts for the lady of the house. What could possibly be nicer than a carpet square or a pair of curtains. The following articles may suggest something.

### Carpet Department Specials

#### 3,000 Carpet Squares for \$22.50

AXMINSTER AND WILTON CARPET SQUARES, fourteen only to sell. Rich, soft toned colorings in fawns, reds, greens and blue, with floral, conventional and Oriental designs. Sizes 9 ft. x 9 ft., 8 ft. 3 in. x 10 ft. 6 in., 9 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. Regular values \$25 to \$30. To-morrow's price **\$22.50**

#### Hearth Rugs, \$2.90

MOHAIR, PLUSH AND AXMINSTER HEARTH RUGS, thirty-five in the offering. A good assortment of designs and colors. Regular \$3.50 and \$4.00. To-morrow, each **\$2.90**

#### Door Mats Reduced

MOHAIR PLUSH DOOR MATS, in greens, reds, blues, browns and cream. Size 36 x 18, reg. each, \$2.75, to-morrow **\$1.95**. Size 30 x 12, reg. each, \$1.50, to-morrow **95c**

#### 50c Linoleum, 40c

PRINTED LINOLEUMS, about three hundred yards to sell, in floral, tile and block patterns, good colorings. Reg. 50c per square yard. To-morrow **40c**

## Friday Bargains in Book and Stationery Depts.

Savings on books and stationery should be most welcome this time of year. These values will make your money go much farther.

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|---|--|
| BUSTER BROWN, Foxy Grandpa, Pore Lil Mose and Little Nemo books. Regular 60c. To-morrow <b>50c</b>  | CHRISTMAS POST CARDS, assorted. To-morrow, per doz. <b>20c</b>   |
| TEDDY BEAR, A. B. C. Book, by Laura Rinkle Johnston. Regular 75c. To-morrow <b>50c</b>  | BIBLES, a big line of leather bound Bibles, yapped edges. Extra values for to-morrow at <b>50c</b>   |
| ALGER AND HENTY BOOKS, large list of titles to choose from. Regular 35c. To-morrow <b>25c</b>   | MAGNOLIA LIBRARY, bound in green cloth, with illustrated cover. Titles in white letter. Such authors as Southworth, Garvice, Fleming, Holmes, Braddon, Dumas and others. Special to-morrow at <b>35c</b> |
| FANCY CALENDARS, regular 10c. To-morrow <b>5c</b>   | TUCK'S ANIMALS, toys for children, six in a box. To-morrow, per box <b>25c</b>   |
| POSTCARD ALBUMS, holding 150 cards. Special to-morrow <b>15c</b>  | BOYS' AND GIRLS' OWN LIBRARY, special to-morrow <b>25c</b>   |
| LEATHER POETS, padded in red or black, Shakespeare, Tennyson, Cowper, Browning, Wordsworth, Dante and many others. Regular price \$1.00. To-morrow <b>75c</b> | FANCY HOLLY BOXES OF STATIONERY, special to-morrow at <b>35c</b>   |
| VOYAGE OF THE WISHBONE BOAT, a splendid book for young folks; illustrated and beautifully bound. Regular \$1.25. To-morrow <b>75c</b>                         | THE LEGEND OF THE WEST, leather cover, beautifully illustrated. Special to-morrow <b>\$1.00</b>  |
|   | HENTY BOOKS, well bound, fine list of titles. Regular \$1.25. To-morrow <b>75c</b>   |

## Our Friday's Bargains for Men Are Good Ones

### Men's \$15.00 to \$18.00 Suits for \$11.75

MEN'S FIT RITE SUITS, no better garments made at any price. We offer a lot of these suits for to-morrow. They are made up in single and double breasted styles of a good variety of fancy tweeds. Dressy, smart, desirable garments and at this price they are splendid bargains. Regular \$15.00 to \$18.00. To-morrow **\$11.75**

### Men's \$7.50 to \$10.00 Overcoats for \$4.75

THESE OVERCOATS are sizes for men or youths, made of good tweeds and cravenette waterproof cloths. Well made, stylish serviceable garments that no man but what would be glad to own. A good assortment of cloths to choose from and a large variety of sizes. Regular \$7.50 to \$10.00. To-morrow **\$4.75**

### Men's Hats at \$2.50

A lot of MEN'S HATS, all the newest styles and shades, not an undesirable hat in the lot, and at the special price for to-morrow **\$2.50**

### Men's \$1.25 Print Shirts, To-morrow 75c

A good assortment of neat designs in COLORED SHIRTS for men. Made of good quality cotton in new and desirable patterns and one of our best makes; lines that we have been selling at \$1.25. To-morrow's price **75c**

### Men's Pants at \$2.50

A special assortment of PANTS made of good tweeds and worsteds, in attractive designs and colorings. Regular \$3.50 and \$3.75. To-morrow **\$2.50**

### Boys' Reefers for \$1.25

WARM REEFERS, made of good, serviceable cloths, different sizes, splendidly made garments. A special assortment for to-morrow. Specially priced at **\$1.25**

### Boys' Overcoats, \$2.75

A special lot of OVERCOATS, made of fancy tweeds and finished with velvet collars, different sizes, and coats that are marked at about half price. Regular \$5.00 to \$5.75. To-morrow **\$2.75**

### Boys' Knickers for 50c

A quantity of BOYS' KNICKER PANTS, made of strong tweeds for to-morrow at **50c** and worsteds. Special value

### Boys' Caps for 25c

BOYS' CAPS, a lot of good caps, made of tweeds and plain cloths. Some good bargains in this lot. At, each, for to-morrow **25c**

## Christmas Linens Specially Priced To-morrow

|   |   |
|---|---|
| TABLE DAMASK, 70 and 72 in., all linen, Regular \$1.25 and \$1.50. To-morrow <b>85c</b>   | LINEN 5 O'CLOCK TEA CLOTHS, 30 x 30 in., hemstitched and drawn work. Special to-morrow <b>\$1.00</b>                  |
| LINEN BREAKFAST CLOTHS, unbleached, size 60 x 70 in. Regular \$1.25. To-morrow <b>75c</b> | LINEN TABLE COVERS, 30 x 30 in., scalloped edges and drawn work. Special to-morrow <b>\$1.25</b>                      |
| LINEN BREAKFAST CLOTHS, size 60 x 60 in., unbleached. Regular 85c. To-morrow <b>50c</b>   | CIRCULAR LINEN COVERS, 36 in. diameter, scalloped edges. Special to-morrow <b>50c</b>                                 |
| DAMASK TRAY CLOTHS, size 18 x 27 in. Regular value 50c. To-morrow <b>35c</b>              | LINEN RUNNERS, or sideboard covers, size 18 x 54 in., scalloped edges and drawn work. Special to-morrow <b>\$1.50</b> |

## Two Bargains in Women's Waists

### FANCY WAISTS WORTH \$2.50 FOR \$1.50

A lot of WAISTS for women, made of fancy delaines and lustrous, also plain challies and other materials, in all the most desirable colors. These waists are worth up to \$2.50. On sale to-morrow at **\$1.50**

### SILK WAISTS WORTH \$2.50 FOR 90c

An odd lot of WAISTS made of Japanese silk, nearly all in black, some plain tucked, some trimmed. This price would not buy the silk alone. Waists that were as high as \$2.50. To-morrow **90c**

## Women's Kid Mitts at Savings

### Fleece Lined Suede Mitts

FUR TOPS, REGULAR \$1.00. Special To-morrow, **75c**

### Fleece Lined Kid Mitts

REGULAR PRICE \$1.00. Special To-morrow, **75c**

### Children's Muslin Pinafores, 20c

A very neat little PINAFORE for small children, made of soft muslin, trimmed with square yoke of embroidery, full around the bottom of skirt. As a special for to-morrow these **20c**

### Children's Colored Pinafores, 20c

A quantity of COLORED PINAFORES, made of good quality print and some in cream holland. Well made in neat styles and at less than you would pay for the materials. Regular price **20c**. To-morrow **20c**

## Friday's Specials in Footwear

### INFANTS' BOOTS, \$1 TO \$1.75 FOR \$1.00

INFANTS' BOOTS AND SLIPPERS, in black or tan kid, blucher cut or balmoral, ankle and straps; also in patent leather; all genuine hand turned soles. Regular values from \$1.00 to \$1.75. To-morrow **75c**

### WOMEN'S SLIPPERS UP TO \$3.50, \$1.75

60 pairs WOMEN'S SLIPPERS, made of kid, one strap, two strap and other strap slippers; also patent colt strap slippers; hand turned soles and French heels. Regular \$2.75 and \$3.50. To-morrow **\$1.75**

Framed Pictures, worth to \$1.25; To-morrow, **25c**

# DAVID SPENCER, Ltd

Framed Pictures, worth to \$2.50; To-morrow, **50c**



## HOW ABOUT BABY?

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| HIS PINS, GOLD FILLED, 2 for | 50c to \$1.75   |
| SOLID GOLD RINGS             | 75c to 4.00     |
| BABY SPOONS, STERLING        | \$1.00 to 2.75  |
| FOOD PUSHERS, STERLING       | \$1.25 to 2.50  |
| BABY TOILET SETS             | \$1.75 to 5.00  |
| BABY HAIR BRUSHES AND COMBS  | \$2.50 to 4.00  |
| STERLING CUPS                | \$3.75 to 12.00 |
| PLATED CUPS                  | \$1.25 to 2.25  |
| POWDER JARS                  | \$4.25 to 16.50 |

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MAGNIFICENT SCENERY, COSTUMES  
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Every night of this week except Saturday.  
The management of the Victoria Theatre  
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With the latest Animated Pictures and  
Illustrated Songs. A double programme  
of pictures with two different illustrated  
songs which will provide an entire evening's  
entertainment for 10c.  
Doors open 7.30. Continuous performance  
to 10.30.

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Picture, Illustrated Song, Post Card,  
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Telling and Candy Machines.  
Ladies and gentlemen wishing to learn to  
bowling will find competent instructors at  
the alleys from 2 p. m. to 12 p. m.  
House League Tournament now in progress.

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programme for Wednesday and Thursday

## MOVING PICTURES

The Devil.  
Uncle's Steel Safe.  
The Sedan Chair.  
Sun Baths.  
Beetroot Culture.  
Painless Extraction.  
ILLUSTRATED SONGS  
"Kiss Me."  
LAWRENCE BRUNELL, Vocalist.  
Complete Change of Programme every  
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Native Singers and Instrumentalists.  
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Horizontal Bar and Acrobatics, Singing and  
Dancing.

## FRANCESCO MARACCI

Venetian Violinist.  
HARRY DEVERA  
BIOGRAPH.

There will be no advance in price for  
this monster show, and every act will  
appear Monday.

READ THE TIMES

RECITAL GIVEN BY  
PUPILS OF MISS MILES

Miss Grylls and Mr. Hicks Also  
Contributed to Pro-  
gramme.

A most enjoyable recital was given in Waitt's hall yesterday afternoon by the pupils of Miss Miles, A.R.C.M., assisted by Miss Grylls and Mr. Hicks, who contributed in excellent style the beautiful and dramatic song cycle, Jhelum River. Miss Grylls has, without apparent effort, succeeded in singling herself into the hearts of the music-loving people of Victoria, and although suffering from a severe cold, yesterday sang with great sweetness and effect. She was presented with a beautiful bouquet of pink carnations. Mr. Hicks was an able second, sustaining his part of the duet admirably. From the three first numbers contributed by quite young girls to the exceeding difficult selections rendered by the more advanced pupils, the entire programme was carried through without a hitch, and showed evidence of careful, systematic training on the part of their teacher. Miss Miles is to be warmly congratulated on the success crowning the team's work. The programme was as follows:

- Piano Solo—Minuet ..... Biedermann  
Ellen Hart.  
Piano Duet—Andante ..... Loeschhorn  
M. McBride and M. Hayward.  
Piano Solo—Andante Con Espresione ..... Clementi  
Norma Hamberger.  
Piano Solo—Leds Ohne Worte, Op. 63 ..... Mendelssohn  
Adeline Salloway.  
Piano Duet—Polonaise ..... Moszkowski  
V. Blackwood and E. Holmes.  
Piano Solo—  
(a) To a Water Lily ..... MacDowell  
(b) To a Wild Rose ..... MacDowell  
Marguerite Langley.  
Piano Solo—  
(a) Warum ..... Schumann  
(b) Grillen ..... Schumann  
Vivian Blackwood.  
Piano Solo—  
(a) La Fleurette ..... Raff  
(b) Le Papillon ..... Le Vallée  
Muriel Hall.  
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There is a new cloth called Olympic cloth, which bears a resemblance to the dead-end gone Bedford cord, but like all other materials, it is softer than the old-time fabrics. Our illustration was made from a gown constructed from the Olympic cord variety, very light in weight and black in color. It is a princess model, with long, clinging skirt and bodice, in purple fashion, one long end falling almost to bottom of skirt, and finished with long, deep black silk fringe. Lozenge-shaped buttons, covered with the cloth, with a small lozenge, heavily embroidered, in the middle of each button, supply the only trimming aside from the white lace plastron and stock. Very long plain sleeves fall well over the hand in a deep point.

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HOW MOLLY  
SAVED THE SHIP

A Real-Time Story for the Babbler  
by Marguerite Evans.

Molly's father was the lighthouse keeper on a rocky, stormy sea coast, but unlike most men of his calling, he did not live in the lighthouse, but in a pretty little cottage on the shore.

The lighthouse was built on a large, dangerous rock about a quarter of a mile from the shore. When the tide came in with a roar and a dash, no one dared venture to the island, until it went out again.

Molly's mother was dead and Molly lived all alone in the little cottage with her father. Well, not alone either, I shouldn't say that, for she had someone to play with who was always good and kind to her, and whom her father often took with Molly in the boat when he went fishing. Now, who or what do you suppose it was? Why, a great big dog with shaggy brown hair and big brown eyes, whom they called Rover.

For miles around there wasn't a house, and as for the nearest town where Molly's father got his groceries, and the coal oil for the big lamps in the lighthouse, why that was over five miles away.

Now, I suppose you will think Molly must have been a very lonesome little girl, but she wasn't, a bit. She hadn't time to get lonesome, for she was her father's little housekeeper, you see. When I say that I suppose you will think she was a great big girl, with long dresses, and her hair done up. Well, she wasn't. She was only nine years old, and yet her father said she was a real good little housekeeper, and I guess he ought to know. In the morning she got up after her father had the kitchen fire going and made the porridge, and cooked the fish, and made toast and coffee, and in the summer time, when the berries were ripe she always had them picked fresh for breakfast. By the time she had breakfast ready her father would be in from milking the cows, and while he washed his hands, Molly strained the milk, and gave the froth off to Rover, in a little tin basin. He liked it, too, I can tell you. Now, do I hear some little boy or girl say that there is no froth on milk? Well, there is, when you see it fresh from the cow, and if you don't believe me ask the milkman. Of course you needn't expect to see any in the milkman's cans, but the very first change you get on a farm and see the cows milked, for children should know where the things they eat and drink come from and what a lot of work it takes to get them ready.

But we must go back to Molly. One morning while her father was eating his breakfast he said he would have to go to town that day for coal, as it was nearly done. However, a storm came up just as he was ready to start, so he said there was oil enough to last that night, so he would wait till the next day and see if it would be any better.

Molly was pretty glad of this, I can tell you, for she wanted to go to town too. You see, she was too far from school to go and her father taught her at home as well as he could, but just as sure as he went to town Molly and Rover went with him. Now I suppose you think she liked to go to town to see the stores and buy candy and dolls and things. Well, of course, she was just the same as any other little girl, and she really did enjoy such things, but just wait till I tell you what she liked far better. You'd never guess. She liked to go to school. Now, just think of that! Fancy a little girl liking to go to school once a week or once every two weeks. Why, you will say, you didn't know, because the lesson was. Yes, she nearly always did know, and better than that, she could read and spell the lesson too. You see, she used the same books as they did in the school, and the teacher told her about how big a lesson she would give the children every day, and Molly's father helped her to learn her's, so it was really surprising how fast she was getting on.

However, one day, as I told you, the sea was so rough that Molly could not go with her father. Maybe you'll think she cried and sulked because she couldn't go. Pah! she never thought of such a thing. She made her father tie a muffler round his neck and button the top button of his coat for fear he should take cold, and sat on the bank with one arm round Rover's neck, waving her handkerchief to her father as far as she could see him. Then she had a good romp along the beach with Rover and hunted for shells for a while, and then went into the house and set the table and got everything ready for her father's supper, for she knew he would be cold and tired when he came home.

The kettle boiled, and boiled, singing "father come home," "father come home," and Molly and Rover went down to the beach every so many times to see if they were any nearer him. But not a thing could they see but the big waves tumbling over one another, as if each one were trying to see which could get to the shore first.

Then, all at once a dreadful thought came to poor Molly. What if her father did not get back with the oil in time to go to the lighthouse before the tide cut off the way to it!

She ran to the cottage and got her father's telescope, but even with that not a sign could she see of him, and every moment the tide was getting higher. Why, even if he were in sight he could never reach the lighthouse in time.

Ever since Molly could remember the lighthouse lamp had always been lit, for if it were not, who could tell what might happen!

Molly had seen her father light the big lamp so often that she could have done it all right, but what would be the use of lighting it when there was no oil?

She ran back to the cottage, and all the time she was wondering what she could do, and by the time she reached the door she knew. She snatched a piece of writing paper and wrote on it, "Father, Rover and I are going over to the lighthouse to build a big bonfire to take the place of the lamp to-night. Your supper is all ready and the tea is in the pot. Molly."

Then what do you think she waited a minute to do? She lit the largest lamp

in the cottage and placed it in the window, for although it wasn't dark, she knew it soon would be, and she thought it would be a guide to her father.

Then she took a basket of kindling that she had ready for the morning fire and a great lot of matches, and put on her warmest coat and cap, for she knew it would be dreadfully cold over at the lighthouse in the night, and then she started to run as fast as ever she could with pretending to race with Rover to the lighthouse. She didn't get there a minute too soon, for just as she had climbed up the side of the lighthouse rock safely out of the reach of the tide came dashing in the narrow gorge between the island and the mainland with such fearful force that had it caught her it would have dashed her to pieces.

As Molly expected, there was plenty of driftwood on the island, and she ran here and there, gathering it up in great armfuls and piling it in a sheltered place near where the lamp always threw its bright light far out over the water. Molly worked hard, I can tell you, and you would have laughed to see how Rover helped by running with sticks in his mouth and throwing them on the pile just as Molly did. The storm grew wilder and fiercer, and if Molly had not been so excited she would have felt it for the wind tore at her cap and coat, as if trying to pull them off her.

As soon as she thought she had enough wood gathered, she started her bonfire, and my, how it did roar and crackle.

Molly stood watching it for a while, and then she started running around it, Rover after her. Round and round they went until they were both tired, so Molly sat down, and Rover stretched himself beside her and they both watched the fire.

Now, watching the fire is rather a bad thing to do, if you are alone, for it always sets you thinking about a great many things, and usually it makes you wish the things you are thinking about were different in a great many ways. If you don't believe that ask some of the older folks, and they will tell you the same.

Anyhow, looking at the fire made Molly wish it wasn't there at all. Now wasn't that queer after all the trouble she had taken to get it started? Of course, she didn't wish there was no light at all, only she couldn't help thinking how much nicer it would have been if it had been a nice day and she had gone to town with her father, and her father had lit the lamp while she got the supper ready. Then she could have studied her new lesson, while her father read the paper, and gone to her nice bed as soon as she got sleepy. That's the sort of thing looking at a fire usually does for you. You get to wishing things were different.

The fire was very bright, of course, but all around it was so dreadfully dark that Molly felt as if the darkness were reaching out big black hands to seize her and carry her off. That was a dreadful feeling of course, and grown up people would very likely have felt the same had they been in her place.

I can tell you Molly was glad she had plenty of wood piled up ready to throw on whenever the fire began to get low. After a while she began to feel queer and faint, and she wondered if she were going to die there all alone without ever seeing her father again. Then, what do you suppose she did? She laid her head on Rover and cried and cried.

Poor Rover licked her hands and even ventured to touch her face with the tip of his tongue, for that was his way of kissing, you see, and he was doing his best to comfort his little playmate. All of a sudden Molly stopped crying and sat up. Then she began to laugh, because she had just thought of something—wasn't that a funny thing for her to do? But what do you suppose it was she had thought about? Why, she remembered that she hadn't any supper, and she knew that was what was making her feel faint and queer. Now, wasn't she a wise little girl?

She got up and piled a great lot more wood on the fire, and then she snatched up as close to Rover as ever she could, because he helped to keep her warm, you see, and what do you think, next thing she knew it was morning, and the sun was shining warm and bright, but best of all, her father was standing beside her, telling her how the storm had made it impossible for him to be home in time, what a brave little girl she had been, and how she had saved a vessel from being wrecked, which had sailed past there in the storm the night before, and would surely have been driven on the rocks had it not been for the beacon light.

Molly, sore and stiff from lying on the cold, bare rocks, looked thoughtfully at the pile of ashes which was all that remained of her bonfire.

"I'm glad I didn't know they were like that when I was asleep, daddy," she said.

"That's what was done, my child," said her father, and taking her hand in his, led her home.

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THE EDITOR - DEPOSIT, N. Y.

# TENDERS

Tenders for the supply of school requisites for the coming school year will be received up to December 31st by the Secretary of the School Board, at whose office applications may be obtained. The Board do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

1849 S. LA MOORE, Secretary.

## News From Four Corners of B. C.

Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

### RALLY OF YOUNG VANCOUVER LIBERALS

Triumphs of Party is Theme of F. C. Wade, K. C.—Enthusiastic Gathering.

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—The dinner given in honor of F. C. Wade, K. C., by the Young Liberals' Association at O'Brien's hall on Monday evening, was thoroughly representative of the younger element of Vancouver Liberalism, with a large number of the elder members of the party and men prominent in its councils.

About 100 sat down to the excellent repast provided, and among the well known Liberals who supported President George E. McCrossan at the speakers' tables were R. P. McLennan, Dr. Davidson, J. A. Slater, J. Duff, Stuart, S. Brown, J. N. Ellis, L. D. Taylor and J. E. Norcross.

President McCrossan, in introducing the speaker of the evening, said that he wished to point the objects of such functions, the social bringing together of the younger members of the party for the dissemination of the principles of Liberalism. He urged the younger members of the party to give a larger representation of the Liberalism of the city at the forthcoming meetings of the party to be held hereafter in O'Brien's hall, beginning December 22nd.

The subject of Mr. Wade's address, he said, was worthy of the closest study by all Liberals, and with the assurance of close attention he invited Mr. Wade to address the gathering on the "History of Liberalism."

Mr. Wade endorsed the plea of the chairman for a keener interest and study of his subject and the principles of the party for the education of the incoming thousands of new people from other lands.

In the course of his address Mr. Wade gave a very scholarly review of Liberalism from the union of the Canadas, at a time when there was only sixteen miles of railway in the country through Canada's great expanse, including the acquisition of responsible government, power to make independent trade arrangements, confederation, the acquisition of the Northwest territory, building of the transcontinental railway and the opening up and settlement of mid-Canada and the west by a vigorous immigration policy, the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific, inauguration of preferential trade and participation in the Boer war.

The first constituted the Charter of Canadian freedom. The second gave Canada almost national attributes in matters of trade. The third transformed the scattered provinces and the fourth and fifth changed our proportions to those of a vast empire.

Gordon Grant moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Wade, which was seconded by Mr. Pound and enthusiastically acclaimed.

COAL MINES CLOSED.

Nicola, B. C., Dec. 16.—All the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Co.'s mines were closed on Monday. Last Wednesday evening nearly all the miners employed by the Middlesboro collieries organized under the United Mine Workers of America. Thursday they were laid off. About 60 men are affected. Frank H. Sherman, superintendent of the U. M. W. of America, of British Columbia, will arrive this week from Fernie to take up the miners' side of the question.

PREPARING FOR WORK.

Moyle, B. C., Dec. 16.—It is expected that by December 20th the compressor of the Aurora property will be working and the machine drills will be in use. The boiler inspector will be here this week. The Aurora promises to make a record for itself this winter.

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NATIONAL ANTHEM.

There is, says the London Chronicle, a fourth verse of the National Anthem with which very few Englishmen are indeed familiar. But it was given, apparently in all good faith, in an old Hanoverian musical work, and the darning of the last rhyme almost reconciles one to the shocking character of the sentiment.

God save great George our King;  
Long live our noble King;  
God save the King.

Send us roast beef a store;  
If it's gone send us tinfoil;  
And the key of the cellar door.  
That we may drink.

A spider's eye is not in its head, but in the upper part of the thorax.

### PRINCE RUPERT WILL SEEK INCORPORATION

Question is Taken Up by the Newly Formed Board of Trade.

(Special Correspondence.)

Prince Rupert, Dec. 16.—At a well attended meeting of the board of trade on Wednesday night, the question of incorporating Prince Rupert as a city municipality was warmly discussed. Efforts will be made to have the government introduce an act at the coming session of the legislature so that it could be passed and become operative by proclamation. Definite action was postponed until the next meeting of the board, when the question will be thoroughly threshed out, and officers for the coming year will be elected.

Andrew Nelson, of Spokane, Wash., died suddenly at the Cariboo hotel on Friday night. He was 44 years of age and a native of Sweden, and had just finished some station work on the G. T. P. near Aberdeen. After eating a hearty dinner he was taken suddenly ill and died before medical aid could be summoned.

E. S. Busby, inspector of customs, spent several days in Prince Rupert this week inspecting the local customs office, which he found to be in a very satisfactory condition. An effort is being made to secure more permanent quarters in place of the present customs office which still remains a tent affair. After completing his work here Mr. Busby went north to Port Simpson to inspect the sub-office at that port.

### OFFER TO HINDUS WILL REMAIN OPEN

Guaranteed Work in British Honduras if They Go in Batches of Fifty.

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—There are no new developments in regard to the proposition in favor of locating the Hindus in British Honduras. Brigadier-General Swayne, governor of the colony, has further conversations with East Indians at various boarding houses. In his tour he met only three East Indians who admitted being out of work.

Brigadier-General Swayne is now thoroughly convinced that there will be no movement of these people from British Columbia to British Honduras colony, at least not at present as long as labor conditions here remain excellent.

"My offer of free lands, or work on government railway construction, or on the plantations will still remain open. If at any time the East Indians change their minds I am prepared to find work for them if they arrange to come in batches of at least fifty," said the governor. He will likely leave for Ottawa on Thursday, visiting the Okanagan en route in order to ascertain whether any of the East Indians there are prepared to emigrate to British Honduras.

### WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria Meteorological Office.  
December 9th to 15th, 1908.

At Victoria there were registered 11 hours and 12 minutes of bright sunshine; highest temperature, 56.5 on 13th; lowest, 34.5 on 15th; rain, 1.17 inches.

At Vancouver—Bright sunshine, 6 hours 6 minutes; highest temperature, 49 on 12th; lowest, 32 on 14th; rain, 2.46 inches.

At New Westminster—Highest temperature, 48 on 12th; lowest, 24 on 14th; rain, 3.22 inches.

At Kamloops—Highest, 50 on 12th; lowest, 18 on 15th; precipitation, 15 inch.

At Barkerville—Highest, 38 on 12th; lowest, 16 on 15th; precipitation, 25 inch.

At Atlin—Highest, 38 on 10th; lowest, 2 on 12th; snow, 1.80 inches.

At Dawson—Highest, 24 on 11th; lowest, 12 below zero on 13th; snow, 14 inches.

### CHINAMAN CONFESSES MURDER.

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—Lee Chung, condemned to hang on the 15th, confessed to-day to having murdered Yung Ah Hing on July 27th.

### MINERS ENTOMBED FOR 24 HOURS.

Two miners employed in the Hanover colliery at Bochum, Westphalia, named Martin Holstein and Johann Nowack, were recently rescued from a living death after being entombed for ninety-three hours. While making borings on Friday, Nov. 20th, they were terrified by the roar of falling stone and ran for their lives, only to make the discovery that their one way of escape was blocked, and they realized that unless their comrades could tunnel a way through tons of debris death from starvation was inevitable. The fallen rock luckily did not block the supply of fresh air.

Scores of miners volunteered to attempt a rescue, and efforts were soon directed to clearing away the enormous mass of debris. A hundred wagon loads were removed between Friday evening and nine o'clock on Saturday morning. Finally, after working frantically all through Saturday, Sunday and Monday, slightly more than three hours of indescribable suspense, the rescuers penetrated the last block of rock. The prisoners' first gasp was for water, which was immediately given them. Both men were uninjured and apparently little the worse.

### NEW USE FOR OLD BIBLES.

An extraordinary demand has arisen in the eastern counties of England for second-hand Bibles—the older and dirtier the better. Copies which formerly realized fourpence are readily bought for half a crown. They are being used to manufacture evidence as to the case of old age pensions. A woman who produced a Bible to prove her age as seventy-six from an entry on the fly-leaf had, unfortunately, omitted to tear out the title-page, which showed the Bible was printed in 1855.

### FIRST STANDARD GAUGE CAR AT PRINCE RUPERT

Railway Equipment Landed From Ferry Transfer Georgian.

(Special Correspondence.)

Prince Rupert, Dec. 16.—To Northern Pacific railway flat car No. 64057, loaded with dump cars, belongs the distinction of being the first standard gauge railway car used on the Pacific coast end of the Grand Trunk Pacific. This was the first loaded car hauled on to the railway grade from the big ferry transfer Georgian which arrived from New Westminster on Tuesday in tow of McKenzie Bros. tug Escort No. 2, with two monstrous steam-shovels, four small locomotives mounted on flat cars, and some 40 dump cars. The run up was made in good time, and fine weather was experienced all the way.

Temporary landing docks were built out from the dump and rails laid across them so that the steam-shovels, which are on their own trucks, as well as the loaded flat cars, could be run directly to the sidings prepared for them on the grade. The whole outfit has been unloaded and distributed at convenient points along the first mile of the road, where there are some extremely heavy cuts to be made and bluffs removed.

The Escort towing the Georgian, with the empty flat cars, returns to New Westminster where more steam-shovels and construction outfits are waiting to be brought north for service on Contractor D. A. Rankin's piece of work at Porspelse harbor.

### LIVED UNDER ASSUMED NAME.

Dongour Jouty was Bankrupt Notary of Chemille, France.

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—The veil was lifted in the supreme court to-day upon a Paris-Vancouver romance. It revealed that Dongour Jouty, for eight years a resident of this city, as language and music teacher and for a time secretary to the French consulate, was not Dongour Jouty, but Theodore Tejon, a bankrupt notary of Chemille, France. Rings, watches, letters and most potent of all, debts rolling up to nearly half a million francs, were among the proofs which counsel revealed of the identity of this genial Frenchman, who died on a train near Winnipeg while en route to the east a year ago. Receiving judicial recognition of these proofs, counsel got the authority of the court, through Mr. Justice Clement, for a transfer of the remaining estate in this province, approximating \$5,000, in long-looked-for payment of his indebtedness to his clients in Chemille and Paris of nearly \$100,000.

### ZAM-BUK AS A CURE FOR PILES

IMPRESSIVE CURES OF WOMEN SUFFERERS—OUR READERS SHOULD NOTE THESE CASES.

Wherever there is suffering from piles, Zam-Buk should be applied! There are lots of reasons for this, but one of the best is that in practically all cases of piles where the use of Zam-Buk is preserved with complete cure—not mere relief—is the result.

Mrs. Wm. Hughes, of 233 Hochelaga street, Hochelaga, Montreal, says: "I suffered from blind, itching, and protruding piles for years. Sometimes they were so bad that I could hardly bear to move about. The inflammation, the burning smarting pain, the throbbing, the aching, the overpowering feelings of dullness and dark despair which this ailment brings, the shooting spasms of agony—all were so terrible that only suffering from this awful ailment can understand."

Bad as this case was, Zam-Buk triumphed, and Mrs. Hughes suffers no longer. It needed a little perseverance with Zam-Buk certainly, but in the end it cured!

Mrs. E. Boxall, of Scott street, St. Thomas, says: "For months without cessation I endured great pain from bleeding piles. For as many months I tried everything which I thought would give me ease, but in the end, dispirited and still suffering, I gave up."

Then it was she heard of Zam-Buk, and she adds: "Although I feared Zam-Buk would be like the ordinary remedies—useless—I am glad it was not. It soon proved itself to be very different. It rapidly gave me relief, and after a time cured me completely. I would like to let all sufferers from piles know what a grand thing Zam-Buk is."

So one could go on quoting case after case, and it is by working such cures that Zam-Buk has earned for itself its great reputation.

Now if you suffer from this terribly painful ailment just be guided by the foregoing cases!

For internal piles melt a little Zam-Buk and thoroughly soak a wand, made of clean but old linen. Then apply to the part. If the piles are external, application of Zam-Buk is still more simple. Do it upon retiring. Next morning you will be satisfied!

Zam-Buk is a cure also for cold-sores, and chapped cracked hands, ulcers, festering sores, blood-poisoning, eczema, bad leg, ring-worm, scalp sores, burns, scalds, and all skin diseases and injuries.

All druggists and stores sell Zam-Buk at 50c a box, or may be obtained post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price; 3 boxes for \$1.25. You are warned, however, against cheap and dangerous imitations sometimes offered at being "just as good."

Artificial silks are made of wood fibres, dissolved to a glue-like consistency by acids, forced through holes in glass and drawn out into threads.

### HOTEL ARRIVALS

#### DOMINION.

E. Crookford, Mrs. Crookford and daughter, Vancouver; W. H. Mercer, Nanaimo; H. Bennett, Mrs. R. Lynch, W. G. McEllenney, Vancouver; R. H. Rodd, B. L. Sebastian, Seattle; H. S. Shaffer, Port Angeles; W. S. Eckelbush, F. C. Miller, Seattle; Chas. E. Henry, Port Angeles; Mrs. H. Norcott and two children, Port Angeles; J. W. Holmes, Holston, Eng. Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Alberni; W. W. Shaw, Kamloops; E. J. Swaboda, Vancouver; R. Hutchinson, Pemberton; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hanke, St. Paul; H. F. Page, J. Johnson, Neatymo; P. Carrier, Vancouver; S. Wright, Wm. Pylea, Ladner; H. McCready, J. H. Green, H. G. Salwood, Miss L. Selwood, Vancouver; Chas. A. Kneil, San Francisco.

#### EMPRESS.

O. J. Hill and wife, Kansas City; Wm. Reil, Winnipeg; W. M. Sears, A. H. B. Macgowan, J. Hopp, J. H. Poff and wife, H. J. Camble, H. E. Beasley, F. R. Stewart, Vancouver; H. R. Cameron, Brandon; J. P. Anderson and wife, Vancouver; F. R. Hart and wife, Kelowna; A. H. Crassweller, Duluth, Minn.

#### DRIARD.

H. C. Barnes, Toronto; E. A. Bourgeois, A. R. Hamilton, Vancouver; W. Douglas, Nanaimo; W. Seth Thompson, A. Mills, Vancouver; C. G. Butler, Toronto; E. Pace, A. J. Cox, R. P. Green, Seattle; A. D. Stock, W. Barnard, Montreal; A. J. Winston, Seattle; H. Payn, W. Biggs, Toronto; C. Harrington, S. Thompson, Hamilton; A. Sinclair, Toronto; E. A. Bevan, C. Harris, Vancouver.

#### KING EDWARD.

Mrs. Maling, Chemulung; Geo. W. Kummer, J. B. Knox, M. G. Pfeiffer, Ottawa; J. Irvine, J. W. Woodcock, A. B. Williams, E. J. Wilson and son, A. W. Bell, Vancouver; D. Reither, Seattle; C. E. Burgess, J. S. Carmichael, Prince Rupert; Dave Superior, New York; F. Goldie, Mayne Island; C. B. Steele, Vancouver; A. Beaton, A. M. McKinley, J. M. McKinley, Seattle; J. M. Lacey, Vancouver; J. Stone, San Francisco; J. A. Allard, J. B. Allard, Seattle.

#### BALMORAL.

B. L. Robertson, Dawson; T. Seward, B. Smith, Vancouver; P. Shadforth, New Westminster; D. W. Higgins, Vancouver; Frank De Grey, New Westminster; E. Maude, Mrs. Maude, Miss V. Maude, Point Comfort; J. Critchley, Sidney.

#### VICTORIA.

W. T. Ishman, Mrs. Ishman, San Francisco; W. B. Richardson, Ladysmith; Chas. Parsons, P. Walsh, P. J. Murphy, Vancouver; J. M. Burns, Brandon; W. Goldbloom, Vancouver; D. A. Whitner, Chicago; G. A. McGuire, Monterey; A. E. Burdick, Mrs. Burdick, Los Angeles; H. J. Goodman, San Jose; J. A. Garland, A. T. Miller, F. M. Cuddy, Vancouver.

#### QUEEN'S.

Harry Waring, Seattle; T. S. Hunt and wife, Tacoma; Wm. Cook, Theo. Rasmussen, Portland; John W. Graham, Nanaimo; J. L. Sutherland, G. H. Volkmeier, W. Beasley, Robert Arrow, Vancouver; Francis Lassar, Ladysmith; W. Hill, Esquimalt; John Timperley, R. Sandstrom, Seattle; W. Archer, P. Smith, Chemulung; Dr. Dougherty, Alex. Allan, Mrs. Allan, San Francisco.

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Word has been received that the  
steamer Titan, which left Yokohama  
on the 12th inst. and due to arrive here  
on or about Christmas Day, will have  
a heavy consignment of goods for this  
port. There are about 200 tons from  
Liverpool and in the neighborhood of  
600 tons from the Orient. Among the  
English freight is a quantity of iron  
for the waterworks in this city and  
material for the navy yard at Esquimaux.  
The Titan has also a large  
quantity of goods for Puget Sound  
points.

**GUNS IN HOTEL.**

Walters Dressed as Jack Tars and Room  
Like Ship.

A clever idea was well carried out at a  
dinner given at the Savoy hotel, London,  
by "The Pilgrims" to meet the American  
and British delegates of the International  
Maritime Conference, which met in London  
on Dec. 1st, and at which ten coun-  
tries were represented. The conference  
will endeavor to arrive at a general agree-  
ment as to how far the separate national  
codes and laws of maritime warfare can  
be homogenized into a system which may  
eventually be recognized and administered  
by the international prize court.  
The room where dinner was served had  
been transferred into the main deck of  
H. M. S. Walpole, and the guests were  
dressed as an admiral's suite from the  
great guns. The Winton was lighted up  
by a beautiful scene of Portsmouth har-  
bor at night. The waiters were dressed  
as Jack Tars, and the Stars and Stripes  
and the Union Jack were draped from  
the rigging.

Munch is despatching the beverage for  
which it is famous. During the period  
1885-90 each inhabitant of the city drank  
on an average 166 gallons of beer per an-  
num, but last year the figure was only 85  
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**Local Markets—Stock Quotations From New York, Chicago**  
**and London—Doings in Mining Centres**

**NEW YORK STOCKS**

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, Dec. 17.—Liquidation  
started right at the opening. The over-  
night news was not bullish and liquidation  
in stocks continued. There was  
one good attempt to rally the market  
early in the last hour but, on the rally  
there was renewed liquidation in the  
metals and railroads. While the Ven-  
ezuela war declaration may not be im-  
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New York, Dec. 17.

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# The Sweetest Rights of the People are LIBERTY and FREEDOM

We have struck the blow for freedom of business methods. You can strike for liberty from oppressive cost of living by supporting the Anti-Combine Grocery, and together we can fight the good fight and battle for the cause of business freedom and living necessities, at live and let live prices.

The Food of the People Must Not be Controlled by any Combine or Trust. Who Would be Free Must Strike the Blow

TABLE RAISINS, California, new, per lb. 15¢  
5-lb. box 75¢  
TABLE RAISINS, Malaga, 1 lb. box 30¢  
1 lb. packet, extra nice 35¢  
5½ lb. box, extra nice \$1.50  
FIGS, Table, Smyrna, per lb. 12½¢  
10 lb. box \$1.00  
FIGS, nice large Smyrna, per lb. 15¢  
DATES, nice, fresh, per lb. 10¢  
NUTS, MIXED, new, per lb. 20¢  
NUTS, Li Chee, per lb. 25¢  
CRYSTALLIZED FRUIT, Crosse & Blackwell's, 1-2 lb. box 40¢  
1 lb. box 65¢  
CHERRIES, crystallized, C. & B., per lb. 60¢  
GINGER, crystallized, C. & B., ½ lb. tin 25¢  
1 lb. tin 40¢  
GINGER, preserved in syrup, qt. jar 50¢

All our stock is nice and fresh

ORANGES, Japs, per box 70¢  
XMAS BON-BONS, per box; \$1 to 25¢  
ORANGES, large Navel, per doz. 25¢  
CANDIES, Fancy Boxes, per box, \$1.00 to 25¢  
CANDIES, nice Fresh Cream, 2 lbs. 25¢  
XMAS STOCKINGS, each, 50¢ to 5¢  
CHRISTMAS CANDLES, all colors, per box 15¢  
PLUM PUDDINGS, Crosse & Blackwell's, each, 65¢ and 35¢  
CHRISTMAS CAKES, Huntley & Palmer's, each, \$1.75 to 30¢  
ALMONDS, shelled Valencia, per lb. 40¢  
HONEY, in comb, per section 25¢  
FIGS, natural pulled, 1 lb. baskets, 2 for 25¢

## That's the Point



XMAS TURKEYS.

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## That's the Point

XMAS GEESE.

TEA, Ram Lal's Pure Indian:  
Blue Label, 1 lb. packet 35¢  
Blue Label, 3 lb. tin \$1.00  
Gold Label, 1 lb. tin 50¢  
Gold Label, 3 lb. tin \$1.40  
Gold Label, 5 lb. tin \$2.25  
CAFE DE EPICURE, genuine French Coffee, 1 lb. glass jar 50¢  
COCOA, Van Houten's, 1-4 lb. tin 25¢  
1-2 lb. tin 50¢  
1 lb. tin 90¢  
COCOA, Baker's, ½ lb. tin 30¢  
COFFEE, Chase & Sanborn's, 1 lb. tin 40¢  
JELLO, 3 pkts. for 25¢  
JELLY POWDER, Trophy, 4 pkts. for 25¢  
Per dozen 70¢  
GELATINE, Cox's, per packet 10¢

We give you Good Value for your Money All the Time

JAM, Crosse & Blackwell's strawberry or raspberry, 7 lb. tin \$1  
JAM, New Zealand, pure raspberry and apricot, 4 lb. tin 50¢  
JAM, raspberry, Essex brand, 1 lb. jar 10¢  
MARMALADE, C. & B., 2 lb. tin 25¢  
MARMALADE, Keiler's, 7 lb. tin 85¢

SYRUP, Lyle's, 2-lb. tin 20¢  
4 lb. tin 35¢  
MAPLE SYRUP, pure, Pride of Canada, quart bottle 50¢  
HONEY, pure Ontario clover, 5 lb. tin \$1  
MOLASSES, New Orleans, 2 lb. tin 15¢

We lead—others try to follow.

SODA BISCUITS, Christie's, per tin 30¢  
CHUTNEY, Sharwood's genuine, Indian, quart bottle 50¢  
ROLLED OATS, B. & K., 7 lb. paper bag 35¢  
WHEAT FLAKES, B. & K., 5 lb. paper bag 25¢  
CALGARY FLOUR, per sack \$1.75  
CORN STARCH, Scotch, 3 pkts. for 25¢  
ONIONS, nice large, 10 lbs. for 25¢  
PEAS, French Green, per tin 15¢  
MUSHROOMS, French, per tin 20¢  
CORN, PEAS or BEANS, per tin 10¢  
TOMATOES, Tartan brand, 2 large tins 25¢  
Or case of 2 dozen for \$2.85  
Two dozen for \$2.30  
CORN ON THE COB, ½ gal. tin 60¢

PEACHES, PEARS, CHERRIES, STRAWBERRIES or RASPBERRIES, two pound tin 20¢  
Tartan-canned goods are the finest packed. We do not handle trash.

SUNLIGHT SOAP, 22 bars for \$1.00  
Box of 100 bars \$4.25  
GOLDEN WEST SOAP, per pkt. 25¢  
Four pkts. for 90¢  
WASHING POWDER, Golden West, 3 lb. pkt. 20¢  
PEARLINE, 2 pkts. for 25¢  
SAPOLIO, per pkt. 10¢  
DUTCH CLEANSER, per tin 10¢  
MONKEY BRAND SOAP, per cake 5¢  
TOILET SOAP, Albert, 6 large cakes 25¢  
OYSTERS, fresh Olympia, ½ pt. jar 25¢  
1 pint jar 50¢  
SOUP, Davies, all kinds, per tin 10¢  
SOUP, Crosse & Blackwell's, per can 30¢  
HAMS, shoulder, per lb 11¢  
HAMS, Picnic, per lb 12½¢  
BACON, Breakfast, Morell's Mild Cured, per pound 22¢  
PICKLES, Crosse & Blackwell's, lever top bottles, Mixed, Chow, Walnuts or Onions, per bottle 35¢

HAMS, Pride of Iowa, per lb 20¢  
PICKLES, Traver's English, 18 oz. bottle 15¢  
RICE, best Japan, 4 lbs. for 25¢  
9 lbs. for 50¢  
50 lbs. for \$2.50  
LARD, pure, 3 lb. tin for 50¢  
CURRANTS, cleaned, 3 lbs. for 25¢  
RAISINS, new Seeded, finest packed, 16 oz. pkt. 10¢  
SULTANA RAISINS, new, per lb 10¢  
MIXED PEEL, English, per lb 15¢

Patronize the Anti-Combine Grocery and help to keep prices down.

GINGER SNAPS, nice and crisp, 3 lbs. 25¢  
MIXED BISCUITS, Huntley & Palmer's, per lb 15¢  
HERBS, Sutton's English, per bottle 10¢  
FIGS, New California stewing, 4 lbs. 25¢  
CHEESE, nice, Ontario, per lb 20¢  
McLAREN'S CHEESE, jar, 50¢ and 25¢  
ESSENCES, all flavors, 2 oz. bottle 20¢  
4 oz. bottle 35¢  
8 oz. bottle 50¢  
LUMP SUGAR, 2 lb. pkt. 20¢  
MUSTARD, Colman's, ½ lb. tin 25¢  
BLUE, Laundry, Day & Martin's, lb. pkt. 15¢

Compare these prices with what you are paying.

VINEGAR, English, Rowat's, qt. bottle 15¢  
MILK, Gold Seal, 2 tins for 25¢  
CREAM, St. Charles or Jersey, 2 tins 25¢  
TAPIOCA OR SAGO, 3 lbs. for 25¢  
7 lbs. for 50¢

WE HAVE NOW FOUR DELIVERY WAGONS RUNNING AND CAN PROMISE PROMPT DELIVERY. HANG THIS UP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. KINDLY LET US HAVE YOUR ORDERS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

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GROCERS

### PROVINCE WINS AT APPLE SHOW

F. R. E. DE HART MAKES  
WONDERFUL SWEEP

He Secured Over \$4,000—Two  
Women Also Capture  
Prizes.

F. R. E. De Hart, of Kelowna, B. C., winner of thirteen first and one second out of fourteen entries, with money and other prizes totalling \$4,420, won at the National Apple Show at Spokane last week, was in the city yesterday. He has established before judges of international repute and against the pick of the apple growing districts of the continent, the fact that British Columbia can grow apples exceeding in flavor and quality any on the continent. Mr. De Hart was the biggest individual prize taker at the show. His triumph was made with forty-three

boxes of fruit of a commercial value of \$50, and he competed against the expert growers of Hood River, Idaho, Washington, and North Carolina as well as every other apple growing district of America. Among prominent authorities present was James L. Gibson, representing Simons Shuttlesworth & Co., European receivers of American fruits. The exhibit of Mr. De Hart, therefore, served to place before the biggest export buyers the quality of British Columbia fruit. The show was opened in the Spokane armory on the morning of the 7th instant, by the pressing of a button by President Roosevelt at the White House, upon which signal all the bells and whistles in the city of Spokane commenced ringing.

The success of the show is demonstrated by the fact that A. Z. Brown of Spokane, with the assistance of T. C. Terry, a Chicago millionaire, now proposes to have the entire display removed for exhibition to Chicago. A sale of apples at the show resulted in a portion of Mr. De Hart's exhibit, consisting of two boxes, bringing the highest price of any apples exhibited, he getting \$50 for two boxes. His prizes were as follows:  
First, for ten boxes of Jonathans, \$2,000, a silver medal and 200 apple trees, and the sweepstake for the best individual box of Jonathans in the show.

First, ten boxes Northern Spy, \$1,250, a silver medal and 250 apple trees.  
Second best display of fresh fruit, \$100. In this competition Mr. De Hart was beaten by the Wenatchee exhibit, which was much more comprehensive and contained, set out in apples of different colors, a replica of the Stars and Stripes.

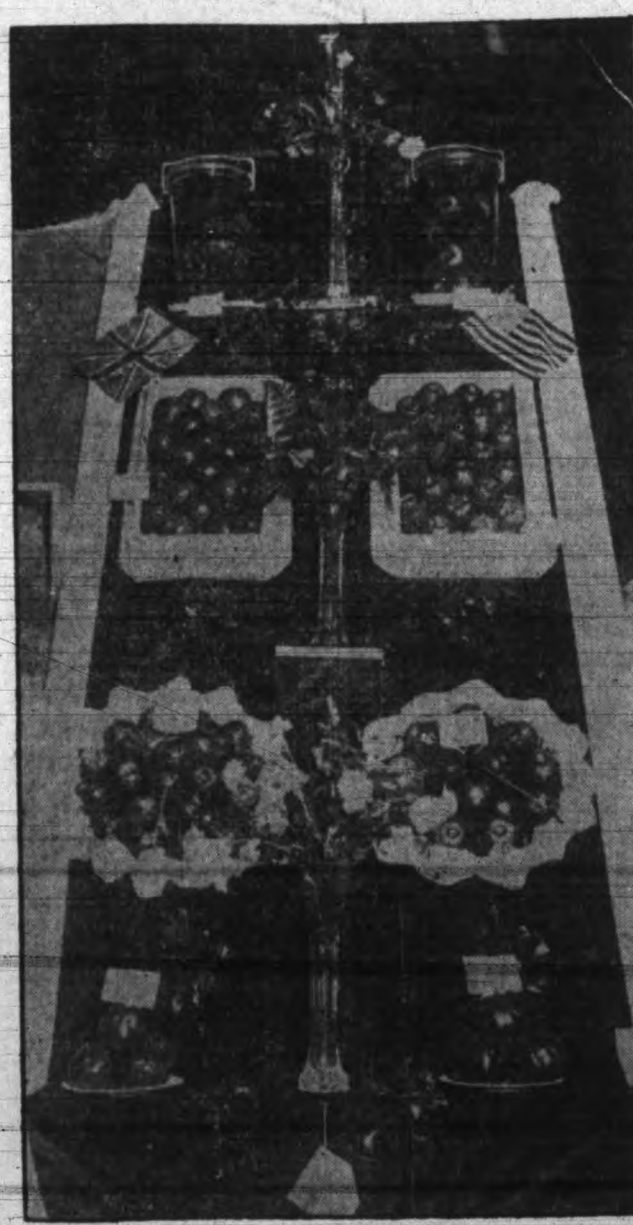
First, foreign countries, six boxes, \$100, and an orchard cultivator valued at \$50.  
First, two boxes, two barrels, two baskets, two jars and two plates of apples, produced by any country, state, province or district, \$500 and the coveted silver loving cup which is solid silver lined with gold and stands over two feet high, presented by the Seattle chamber of commerce, and 100-pound keg of arsenate of lead and the privilege of selling two boxes of the fruit for \$25 per box.

First, for the best packed two barrels, \$50 and 500 spray pump, and one barrel of Niagara spray.

First, seven plates of apples, first prize for each plate. He also secured several minor winnings, consisting of separate donations to the show.

Mr. De Hart's display which won the loving cup was limited to but 43 boxes of fruit owing to the expense of transportation, 45 per hundred pounds, and he consequently did not have the number of varieties which the Wenatchee exhibit contained. The Wenatchee exhibit was the only exhibit that got a prize away from him in any of the classes in which he was represented.

Two British Columbia women were among the prize winners. Mrs. J. A. Smith of Spence's Bridge, won a special prize of \$140 for her exhibit of apples. For the best box pack of one or more varieties, Mrs. Smith got second, \$30. The first was won by Mr.



F. R. E. De Hart's First Prize Collection at the National Apple Show at Spokane.

De Hart, and H. W. Collins of Carson, B. C., won third with \$25. All three prizes thus coming to British Columbia.  
For the best individual plate exhibit of apples grown by women, Mrs. E. Lowe of Keremeos, B. C., took the first prize of \$50 worth of Burbank's crimson winter rhubarb and a diploma.  
Mr. De Hart in referring to the show,

aside from his successes, said it was undoubtedly the greatest apple show ever held in the world. The advantages that would be derived to British Columbia through the successes of himself, Mrs. Smith and other exhibitors from the province could not be underestimated. There were present throughout the show expert apple buyers and growers from all over the American continent and from Europe. The judges were from American horticultural colleges, and all of them possessed international reputations. The attendance at the great armory, which Mr. De Hart says is the largest building in the Northwest, was twenty thousand persons every day. During the show the state band played a concert each day and continuous vaudeville was given in portions of the building. The extent of the exhibits can be gathered, he says, from the fact that in the carload lots there were eight entries and that in the car which won second prize there were 72,000 apples, all of which were within an eighth of an inch of the same size. This carload came from Yakima and lost first place through faulty packing. The apples in selection had all been passed through a gauge and those which would not touch the ring or were too large to go through, were passed out.

"Till the present time," he said, "English buyers have not paid particular attention to British Columbia fruit and by exhibiting our products at this show we have demonstrated plainly what can be done in the fruit raising districts of the province, and we have placed our results before the leading experts of America and Europe." Mr. De Hart spoke in high terms of the courteous treatment received by exhibitors and visitors, the warmest welcome being given all present.

He was accompanied to the show by James Gibbs, of Kelowna, an expert packer. At Mr. De Hart's exhibit was repacked by himself and Mr. Gibbs at the show.

#### KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Far West Lodge Will Give a Concert To-morrow Evening.

Far West Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., will hold their third social to-morrow evening at 8:15, in the K. of P. hall, corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, for which an excellent programme has been arranged, and a pleasant time is assured all those who attend. The following vocal and instrumental programme will be rendered:  
Piano solo ..... Mrs. J. L. Forrester  
Song ..... Herbert Kent  
Violin solo ..... Miss B. Brooker  
Song ..... J. G. Evans  
Sight-of-hand performance ..... A. G. Goffrey  
Cornet solo ..... Master E. Vale  
Song (Flute Obligato) ..... Miss Ella G. Cocker  
Trio (Violin, Saxophone and piano) G. H. Larrigan, P. O'Brien and A. R. Dobson.  
Song ..... J. G. Brown  
Song ..... Thos. J. Price

With the exception of the British museum, the House of Commons has the most complete political library in the country.

### J. S. H. MATSON WINS DISTINGUISHED HONOR

He is Made a Fellow of the  
Royal Geographical  
Society.

J. S. H. Matson, of this city, has been honored with a fellowship in the Royal Geographical Society, an association which embraces among its members the most distinguished explorers and those interested in the extension of geographical knowledge.

Mr. Matson, who is an enthusiastic British Columbian, on his recent visit to the Old Land spared no pains to give information on the province to the many distinguished persons he met, and it was in recognition of this that he has been honored with the fellowship. In this noted society.

He was proposed by Col. G. Earl Church, seconded by J. F. Hughes, and elected at a meeting held recently. The Royal Geographical Society has as its patron his Majesty the King, with his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales as vice-patron. Major Leonard Darwin is the president for the current year. The society was formed in 1830 and was granted a royal charter of incorporation in 1859.

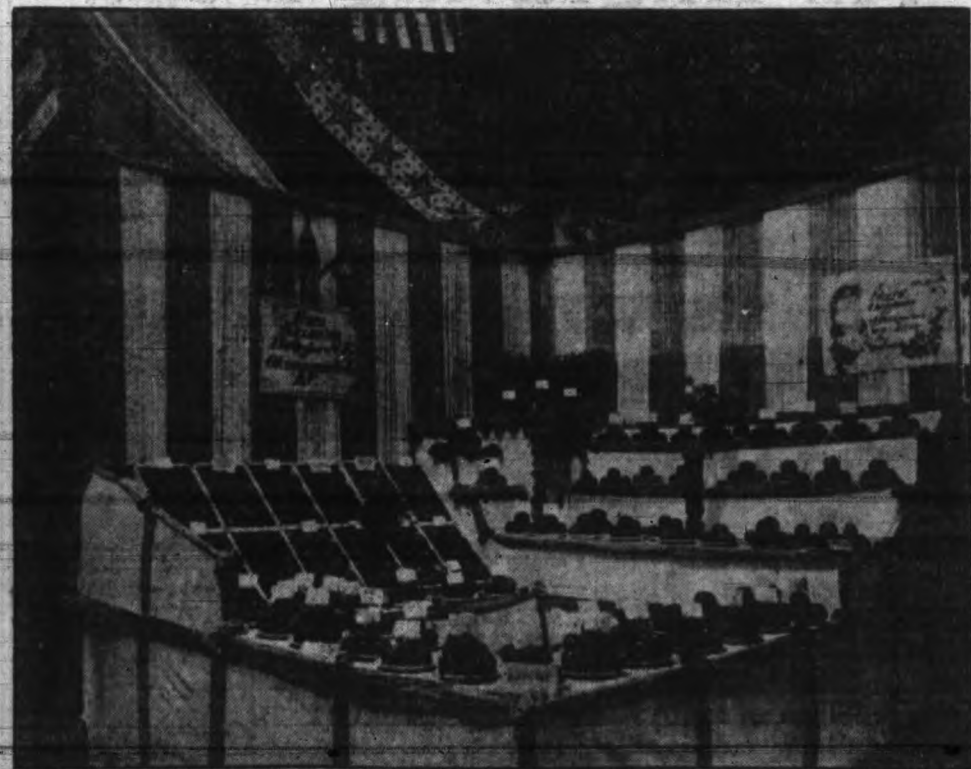
#### NAUTICAL SUPPER.

Novel Function Will Be Held in Metropolitan Methodist Church.

To-morrow the members of Mrs. Armon's Bible class of the Metropolitan Methodist church, assisted by former members, will give a sale of work in the schoolroom. Articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be on sale, and at four bells, 6 o'clock, a ship supper will be served to all comers. A nautical programme will be rendered by the class. The menu will be as follows: S.S. Victory ship supper—Harriet lane and carrots, dry hash and spuds, salt pig and parsnips, hard tack and cheese, soft tack and butter beans, hommae sal and marmalade, flaps and cake, tea and coffee.

—In the provincial police court yesterday afternoon Louis A. Gardiner was sentenced to five days in jail for being drunk. On Tuesday night Gardiner was trying the doors and windows of Captain E. B. Tooley's residence on the Esquimalt road, while two companions waited for him. They saw Provincial Constable Conway approach and got out of the way, but Gardiner failed to see him till too late to escape. He was quite drunk, so that he was not charged with anything but that offence. Gardiner claims to have been employed on the construction of the Smith's Hill reservoir.

What is believed to be the oldest European painting in existence has been found in Grotto by the Indian Archæological Mission. It is on a wall of a cave and is supposed to have been made 2,500 B. C.



Fresh Fruit Display by F. R. E. De Hart at National Apple Show, Spokane.



# **PRACTICAL AIDS FOR ARTISTIC NEEDLEWOMEN** **DESIGNS FOR STRIPED COLLARS AND TABS**

### New Bedspreads

**E**FFECTIVE and inexpensive artistic bedspreads or counterpanes can be made at home by decorating twilled sheets of as heavy a weave as possible, with a bold design. Many prefer an unbleached sheet, as being for some effects more artistic than white, and not requiring to be washed so often.

A bold applique design in turkey red

cotton or blue linen, the former usually washing better, worked in two strips running lengthwise across the counterpane, of about fifty-four inches in length and fourteen or more in breadth, makes a very pretty decoration.

First stamp a bold design suitable for applique, or the two strips of turkey red, previously washed and rinsed in several waters to prevent running of color, and then baste these into position on the counterpane.

Then outline the design in red embroidery cotton—or blue, as the case may be—and cut away the superfluous parts of turkey red every now and then.

Go over the outlined edges with a blanket stitch for wide-apart button-hole, the stitches going outward from the design into the background in the form of little teeth.

Besides adding greatly to the appearance, this second stitching across the outline strengthens the work.

Spinners for the washstand and bureau scarfs or dressing-table covers to match this counterpane can easily be made.

Any color that corresponds with the prevailing tint of the bedroom can be used, but to prevent subsequent disappointment, choose a color which is known to wash well.

In any case, salt or vinegar should be used in the rinsing water after washing to prevent the color fading or running.

A good plan in marking linen and lingerie is to have a favorite style of letter reproduced in the various sizes required, and, perforated patterns having been made, the linen may be marked with stamping powder.

Mercerized cotton is preferable, and the padding is done with darning thread. Crewel needles carry the threads. The work should always be placed firmly in an embroidery hoop.

If the hoops slip, so that the linen is not tight, tape should be wound around the under ring.

The padding is the first step, and is placed in long, even stitches. These threads should be placed closely, and over one another in the center, so as to give a rounding effect.

For unpretentious uses, the padding is omitted, and the stamped lines are outlined or couched.

Satin stitch is generally used, while French knots and tiny seed stitches are sometimes introduced.

The size of the thread depends upon the proportions of the letter and the material upon which it is placed. Small sizes of thread are the best.

The utmost care must be given the satin stitch in order that the threads may appear straight and smooth.

### To Make Tatted Edges

**F**ILL the shuttle with No. 6 thread. Without breaking the thread, make a ring of eight doubles, one long picot, eight doubles, close.

With two threads make a chain of four doubles, four picots, separated by two doubles, four doubles.

With one thread make eight doubles, join in long picot, eight doubles, close. Repeat until there are four chains and five rings, joining each ring in long picot.

Turn: with two threads make five doubles, nine picots, separated by two doubles, five doubles. Turn: make a second wheel like the first one. The third wheel forms the corner, and is made with six rings in long picot and five chains.

Each corner is made in the same way. The edge is sewed to the collar and cuff by the five center picots of each long chain, slipping the needle between the two sides of the hem from one chain to the next.

Press on a well-padded board, placing a damp cloth over the collar and cuffs.

### Monograms Popular

**T**HE ultra-fastidious the proclaiming of one's identity to the public by means of monograms on every article of apparel and adornment may appear in somewhat poor taste.

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### CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued.)

"Not guilty," the prisoner had replied with fierce and splendid violence to the formal charge. And by his mere utterance of those two words he had established himself as the most powerful individuality in the whole crowded chamber. By his mere utterance he had instantly screwed up the excitement to the quivering point. At the bottom of nearly every heart had lain a secret and absolute conviction that the man was not accused falsely. And yet the man in which he hurled his denial at the judge's acolyte, the way in which he faced his audience, shook the stubborn preconceptions. Everyone felt that the battle was joined at once. And everyone wondered what the battle would consist of, for the evidence at the disposal of the police had been very carefully kept from the general public. None save those intimately concerned knew the probable course of the fight. And as the audience settled down with anticipations of dreadful joy as it might have settled down in a music hall to watch a high trapeze performance without nets. The doubtfulness of the issue was delicious, and the certain assurance that this trial would remain in the memory as the most sensational criminal trial of modern times, brought to the immortal souls present an astonishingly comfortable sense of satisfaction. Useless for the judge to pretend by his abstracted demeanor that for him this case was just as any other case! The judge was as satisfied and proud as anyone. Useless for the redoubtable Florius, K. C., to pretend that he was on one of his ordinary campaigns. The renowned counsel for the Treasury had sent half a hundred men to the scaffold and had not turned a hair, but on this occasion Florius, K. C., was nervous; you could see it from his snappy manner to his junior. The jury, plucked from the shops and farms of Bedfordshire, were frankly self-conscious, and moved uneasily under the stern gaze of the prisoner as, hemmed in by two officers, he-fronted them in his dock.

As for the press the press was simply hot and angry. The press comprised twenty-four individuals, the very flower of their kind, representatives of the news agencies and newspapers of the entire world, and they had been crammed by main force of numbers into less room than the twelve jurymen. Confined like herrings in a box, they were expected to be bright, amusing, descriptive, and stenographically accurate. The prisoner, who was close to their kennel, withered them from time to time with glances of contempt. Save the judge and the jury, there was hardly a person in court upon whom the stare of that formidable entity, the prisoner, did not fall with disconcerting scorn. The two rows of counsel, with their dirty wigs and clean collars, the placid solicitors, the heavy policemen, the grandees accommodated with seats beneath the judge's rostrum, the unprivileged but successful public in the gallery over the clock; he embraced them all in his comprehensive disdain, sparing not the pretty hats and the pretty inquisitive features under the hats; sparing not even his own legal advisers. Occasionally his eyes would wander up to the emblems of justice behind the judge, or to the high dusty windows, and the gas-grimed ceiling, or would dwell as if with amiable interest on the stult of the judge's new red robe. The one spot that did not appear to be worthy even of his scorn was the witness-box, which he ignored.

Yet at the outset of the hearing, a passably theatrical moment had occurred in the witness-box. The Dunstable doctor was called, and he repeated his evidence as given at the inquest and before the magistrates. And when he had done, Florius, K. C., coughed and scratched the back of his creased, crimson neck, and said:

"Now, Dr. Prentiss, you say that the deed must have been done with an instrument having a square, not a round section."

"Yes, the wound was distinctly square."

"And about a quarter of an inch in diameter?"

"Yes, at the epidermis."

"Can you form any idea as to what the instrument could have been?"

"No."

"Might the wound have been inflicted with this?"

"And Florius, K. C., with a fine air, drew rapidly from a piece of paper an instrument about seven inches long, with a point not exceedingly sharp, and very narrow handle—something like a square instead of a round bodkin, of unusual size."

"Careful," he admonished the doctor who took it from him to pass it to the witness."

"Yes," said the doctor, after a lengthy examination. "The comparative bluntness of the point would help to account for the remarkably slight extravasation of blood which I have previously commented on."

"Would you say that the wound had been inflicted with that instrument?"

"Either by that or one very similar to it."

"Can you tell what the instrument is?"

"I cannot."

"Is it a surgical instrument of any kind?"

"To be Continued."

games of hazard in which men's lives were at stake, each was regarded as a player who would have been untried but for the existence of the other. "Come, now," said Florius, K. C., to his intimate, "you've had the opportunity of examining this before. However, take it."

The production of such an item of evidence so early in the trial indicated that the Crown had a complete chain of proof. It indicated also that the Crown was conducting the prosecution in a manner very favorable to descriptive reporters. The public was thrilled by the pilgrimage of the strange instrument from counsel to witness, from witness to judge, from judge to counsel again. But Crampson, dressed more neatly than he had been dressed for years, appeared suddenly to have forgotten that he had an interest in the trial. He gazed absently at the clock, watching the long hand overtake the short one at noon.

The next witness, Emile Berger, yielded nothing to tickle the palate of sensationalism. Even the special from New York could not transform him into copy. He merely related how he had found the body. Having done so, he withdrew again to the room reserved for witnesses.

Then came Maurice, whose head was a combination of extreme pallor and raven black that profoundly impressed all the women; and the current of popular sympathy, which had been setting a little toward Crampson, was quickly diverted to the direction of the dead man's family. The audience hoped to enjoy the spectacle of Lady Mary, and perhaps of Millicent Courlander. And the thought of Millicent Courlander, the help's sister, made them dream of Norah Crampson, as to whom various rumors were abroad. She would surely be called for the defence, to prove an alibi, or something of the sort. The audience could not conceive the possibility of being deprived of the sight of the beautiful Norah; that would be too cruel, too unkind of the legitimate demands of a public thirsting for universal knowledge. The audience was pathetically unaware that the audience was watched over by the united efforts of Emile Berger and Millicent and subjected to no risks. Her marriage was quite unsuspected.

The evidence of Maurice, being purely formal, and as unexciting as that of his friend, but as he quitted the box, none could fail to notice the brief and yet terrible duel of sustained glances that passed between the prisoner and the son of the murdered man. The eyes of Maurice might have been saying: "I've been handicapped because the conventions of mankind would not allow me to bring forward your daughter. But I shall hang you, all the same." And the eyes of Abraham Crampson said things that could not be translated into words. Maurice slowly diverted his gaze, bowed to the judge, and, descending from the box, took a seat in the well of the court by the side of Parculter the lawyer, and in front of Florius, K. C.

Now, thought the general public, they will begin to elaborate the imperfect evidence given before the magistrates as to the accused's absence from his bedroom on the night, the unlocking of his front door at two o'clock, etc. The general public had been minutely instructed by newspapers which specialized in theories, but the truth was that it knew nothing whatever. It had never, in its speculations, approached even distantly the core of the case for the prosecution, which had suffered a complete modification since the hearing before the magistrates.

"Call the man Curtis," said Florius, K. C.

The advent of a Chinaman added just the requisite note of picturesque to the scene. He looked very small and very bland as, stepping vivaciously into the box, he put his left hand into his right sleeve and his right hand into his left sleeve. His glance was wide-eyed and of an extreme simplicity, his attitude that of a philosopher finding himself at a pow-wow of barbarians. With fifty centuries of Oriental civilization behind him, he was to be excused for exhibiting a certain reserved and gentle surprise. Whether it was the fancy dress of the barristers and the judge, or the presence of gay ladies in those precincts that gave him pause, who shall say?

Many of the public were not even aware that Carl Courlander had had a Chinese valet. The better informed said at once: "That's the valet; and expected nothing. But the inner circle expected a great deal."

"The evidence you shall give to the court," an usher began to mumble, giving Curtis a look.

"Stop," said the judge. "He is not a Christian."

"Yes," Curtis corrected the judge kindly.

"A convert?"

"Yes."

"Since when?"

"Falls Exhibition," said Curtis.

"What strange consequences the Paris Exhibition has," said the judge.

It was his first witness of the day, and he was rather pleased with it, and with the answering blinger of the Junior Bar and the more diplomatic smile of the Senior Bar. But it was also nearly his last.

So Curtis was sworn as a Christian.

"Your name?"

"Curtis."

"That is not your real name?"

"Yes."

"Then what is your christian name?"

"Curtis."

"I should explain to your lordship," said Florius, "that this man has always been called Curtis."

"Let us conform to precedent then," said his lordship, "and continue to call him 'Curtis.'"

Curtis smiled agreeably.

And the American reporter composed a heading: "Christian Chinese is too much for Judge and Counsel."

"Now," said Florius, K. C., "you were

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a valet to the late Mr. Courlander?"

"Yes."

"On the night of his murder did you go to bed as usual?"

"Yes."

"Did you remain in bed?"

"No."

"Why?"

"I heard master's spilt."

"Explain what you mean?"

"Magic," said Curtis, simply, as though speaking of scientific facts. "Master had a magic spilt. Magic! Magic!"

"Is my client," asked Lorimer, K. C., popping up again, "is my client to be convicted on this kind of evidence?"

"If my friend will kindly permit me to conduct my own case," said Florius, K. C., perhaps time will be saved. Meantime let me remind him that as he is a member of the Society for Psychological Research, he ought not to object to spirits. We shall come to something less spiritual presently." And he turned again to Curtis. "Assuming that your master had a familiar spirit, how did you hear it? What was its voice like?"

"Bell," said Curtis.

"A bell. Where did you hear this bell?"

"In his room."

"You are sure it was not an ordinary bell?"

"Yes."

"Where did you sleep?"

"In a room over my master."

"And you could hear the bell from your room?"

"Yes."

"Had you ever heard it while you were in your master's room?"

"Yes. Once."

"Was your master there?"

"No."

"What did you do?"

"Lun."

"You were afraid?"

"Yes. My master a great magician."

"You heard a bell ringing when there wasn't a bell in the air?"

"It was the spilt speaking."

"But on the night of the murder, when you heard your bell, what did you do?"

"Came downstairs."

"You weren't afraid then?"

"I long three times—louder, louder. I could not be alone."

"So you came downstairs?"

"Yes."

"To your master's room?"

"No."

"Then why did you come downstairs?"

"Too high up."

"What happened next?"

"I saw my master walking along the corridor."

"Dressed?"

"Yes."

"What time was that?"

"About a quarter to two."

"You followed him?"

"Not quickly."

"But you followed him?"

"Yes."

"Where did he go?"

"Down into the gardens."

"You continued to follow him?"

"No. I lost him."

"Then what did you do?"

"I walked in the gardens."

"You didn't at once go back to bed?"

"No."

"Why?"

"Afraid."

"Spilt spoke three times. Fate."

"Did you see anyone in the gardens?"

"Yes. The German—electric man."

"Anybody else?"

"Mr. Maurice."

"And then?"

"I went to bed till morning."

"Why?"

"Affraid of Mr. Maurice."

"Why were you afraid of Mr. Maurice?"

"His face. Talking to himself."

"Devil's face."

"Where did you hide?"

"In the cloak-room."

"On the hall?"

"Yes."

"Then?"

"At dawn I went to bed."

"Now I want you to tell the gentlemen of the jury exactly what happened when Mr. Maurice summoned you the next morning."

Curtis looked at the gentlemen of the jury with an air of wonder.

"When I saw Mr. Maurice told me my master killed. I said to myself: 'Good. You killed him. It is a secret. I have a new master.' Curtis smiled remained of a fixed blandness.

"You thought Mr. Maurice had killed his father?"

"Yes."

"Why should he have killed his father?"

"Fate. I said to myself: 'It is appointed; spilt called three times.' I

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remembered his face in the gardens."

"What did he say to you?"

"He asked me if I had noticed anything unusual. I said 'No.' I said I had slept all the night."

"You lied to him?"

"You lied to him?"

"Yes."

"Why?"

"He my new master. It was not lawful that I should accuse my master. If the master kills the master, what is that to the servant?"

There was a silence.

The whole court was fascinated by Curtis' changeless smile. A lady in a specially stylish bonnet fainted and was carried out.

"Oh!" said Florius, K. C., apparently at a loss to continue. Though he was perfectly acquainted with the evidence which Curtis had to give, the Chinaman's deportment and the Chinaman's morality were startling even to his variegated experience.

Suddenly Curtis grinned.

"When the German electric man told me that he had seen Mr. Mollice in the gardens and that Mr. Mollice had quarrelled with my master, I said to him he must tell no one. He said he had told the police. Then I said to him: 'If you do not leave England now, you die. I tell him how Chinaman kills.' Here Curtis twisted his face into something demoniacally terrifying. He

lightened. He went. Nobody see him in England any more."

The next instant Curtis had resumed his simple smile.

"Do you still think that Mr. Maurice committed the murder?"

"No."

"Why?"

"He told me."

"What did he say?"

"When I see him said, velly sad, every day more said, I say to him not be afraid, master. Servant knows, but will not tell. I say to him he is safe. He laughs. He calls me a fool. I was a fool."

"He convinced you, then, that you were mistaken?"

"Yes. When man lies, I know. When man speaks truth, I know. He tell me Mr. Clampron killed my master; but no witness, no proof. I say to myself: 'I will find proof. I go one night to Mr. Clampron's house, one night when Mr. Clampron not there. When Miss Norah not there. Life thief. I climb in and find proof in bed-room.'"

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### Scavenging

VICTORIA SCAVENGING CO.—Office, 710 Yates street. Phone 62. Ashes and garbage removed.

WING ON & SON—All kinds of scavenger work, yard cleaning, etc. Office, 120 Government St. Phone 21.

### Second-Hand Goods

WANTED—Old coats and vests, pants, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, etc. Highest cash prices paid. With call at any address. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 572 Johnson street, four doors below Government St. Phone 174.

WANTED—Scrap brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast iron, racks, and all kinds of bottles and rubber, highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 150 Store street. Phone 132.

### Signs

UP-TO-DATE SIGN and glass painting of all kinds. Bulletins, show cards, Window Tickets. Victoria Sign Works, 706 Yates St. Phone 60.

### Stoves

STOVES, RANGES AND HEATERS of all kinds bought and sold. N. R. Foxgord, 107 Douglas St. Phone A155.

### Teaming

TRIMBLE & SON, general teaming, hauling and excavating. 11 Putnam street. Phone A143.

### Truck and Dray

HACKS—PHONE 21. Victoria. Hack Stand, cor. Yates and Government Sts.

TRUCKING—Quick service, reasonable charges. J. Walsh & Sons, Baker's Feed Store, 540 Yates street.

### Watch Repairing

A. F. FISH, 29 Douglas street. Specialty of English watch repairing. All kinds of clocks and watches repaired.

### The Thorold

1407 GOVERNMENT ST. A QUIET HOUSE. Warm single rooms with clean, comfortable beds. 25c per Night. \$1.50 per Week.

Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at its next session, for a transfer of the license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises situated on Store street, in the City of Victoria, known as the "Thorold Hotel," from James Dugan to J. M. Dugan.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1908, at Victoria, B.C.

JAMES DUGAN, J. M. DUGAN, Applicants.

## Business Chances.

A BETTER OPPORTUNITY for investment than has been offered recently is at present open. A manufacturing and industrial business in Vancouver has been expanded and plans for expansion are being made. The business is a profitable one and is being offered for sale at a low price. For full particulars address Box 35, Times.

### Houses to Rent

TO LET—3 roomed cottage, 710 Market street.

TO LET—5 room house, with back kitchen, pantry, bath, hot and cold water, electric light, sewer, good garden, close to car, \$20 monthly. Apply Bond & Clark.

TO LET—3 room cottage, 570 Market St.

TO LET—3 roomed cottage on Dallas street. Apply to Mrs. M. R. Smith, 104 Dallas street.

### Houses for Sale

FOR SALE—Six room cottage, 5 minutes' walk from P. O., \$1,250. Apply owner, W. A. McGregor, 415 Fort street.

5 ROOM COTTAGE, in James Bay district, \$1,000; a snap; \$200 cash. Balance on time. Apply to J. Greenwood, real estate, Government street.

BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR SALE—1 room house, brick foundation, large basement, large barn, etc., nice grounds, lot \$2,000. All fenced; easy terms. Empire Realty Co., 612 Yates street.

A SNAP—4 room cottage, modern, bath, pantry, sewer connection, full sized lot, or will exchange for farm. Empire Realty Company, 612 Yates street.

FOR SALE—Six roomed cottage, first-class condition throughout, fruit and flowers. Apply 209 Blanchard street.

FOR SALE—A bargain, 6 roomed bungalow, new and modern, full sized lot, near hospital and car line, only \$2,500; easy terms. E. C. B. Bagshaw, 415 Fort street.

HOUSES, cottages, etc., built at lowest contract prices, consistent with good workmanship and material; designs and estimates free. Box 35, Times Office.

NEW ONE AND A HALF STORY HOUSE, every modern convenience, five rooms, basement; will be ready for occupancy middle of December. One of the auto bus lines. \$2,500; \$500 cash. A. R. Shyrowood, 635 Fort street.

FOUR BEAUTIFUL up-to-date houses, good location, to be sold at a great sacrifice; also two up-to-date automobiles. Any party going into business might be able to make a deal by paying some cash and the rest in real estate, either cash or house property. One of the auto bus lines. \$2,500; \$500 cash. A. R. Shyrowood, 635 Fort street.

CHOICE LITTLE PROPERTY near Victoria, fine situation, beautiful surrounding view, splendidly timbered, extra well fenced and laid out; fruit trees and ornamental shrubs; style of the old Victoria; town house and woodshed. The complete set of implements, horse, cow, buggy, wagon, etc., \$1,000 per acre; terms. Address "B. C." Times Office.

SPECIAL—One of the best finished 9 roomed modern houses in the city, with 2 or 3 bedrooms, C. H. Revercomb, 53 Truncheon Ave.

FOR RENT OR SALE—House and one acre, stables and chicken house, at Mt. Tolmie, 325 William street, Victoria.

### Help Wanted—Male

WANTED—First-class salesman to take charge of our real estate department. Maymirth & Co., Mahon Bldg.

STOCK SALESMAN WANTED—Salary and commission. Maymirth & Co., Mahon Bldg.

WANTED—Messengers with wheels. Apply Hasty Messenger Co., 113 Langley street.

### Housekeeping Rooms

TO LET—Three unfurnished housekeeping rooms, with sink and water, rear of 27 Fort street, between Blanchard and Douglas streets.

### Lost and Found

LOST—English setter dog, eight months old, white with blue ticks, hit by shot on rump. Suitable reward. Anybody harboring after this notice will be prosecuted. R. Porter & Sons, Ltd., Douglas street.

LOST—A lady's gold watch, with initials engraved. Suitable reward for its return to Times Office.

LOST—A hand bag containing bills, keys, etc., between Rock Bay avenue and Taylor's mill. Finder please return to Blomquist & Bloomquist, grocers, corner Fort and Blanchard streets.

LOST—Purse containing sum of money, between cor. Government and Johnson streets, and Princess Ave., via Douglas street. Reward. Apply this office.

### Lots for Sale

FOR SALE—Lot 9x120, on Rockland Ave., near Cook. Apply owner, P. O. Box 35.

FOR SALE—Lots, very cheap, on Fox Bay road, Leighton, Amphion, Hulton, Sinden lots, 22x120 double lots, \$45, one-third cash, balance six, twelve, eighteen months. E. C. B. Bagshaw, 415 Fort street.

FOR SALE—Pine lots on Cook street, 100 ft. wide, only \$200; easy terms. C. H. Revercomb.

FOR SALE—Four lots on Hillside Avenue. Apply 222 Johnson street, or telephone 1008. Mrs. E. Coomes.

FOR SALE—3 good lots, together, in vicinity of C. P. R. wharf; ideal site for hotel or apartment house; \$2,500 each; easy terms. Yates & Jay, solicitors for owner, 545 Bastion street, Victoria.

GOOD BUILDING LOT—Prospect road, close to Fort street, 4.5 x 300, 3 acres, rich black loam, cleared and fenced, good for nursery stock, 1 mile from City Hall. E. White, 635 Fort street.

NOTICE is hereby given that, thirty days after date, I intend to apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for a renewal of license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises known as the "Thorold Hotel," situated on Goldstream road.

MRS. M. G. GAGE, Esquimalt, B. C., 24th November, 1908.

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WANTED—Females cook for small restaurant in Sidney. Address: Wm. Munro Baker, Sidney, B. C.

## Miscellaneous

FOR RENT—Cheap, four offices, from \$3 to \$5 per month. Inquire Room 5, 124 Government street.

MAYSMITH & CO.'S PRIVATE EXCHANGE—Mahon Bldg. Open daily 10:30 a. m. until noon for the buying and selling of all local, B. C. and North-western securities. If you are interested in investments, either buying or selling, see us. We charge no commission for buying.

EVERY SUFFERER FROM RHEUMATISM can be cured by wearing a Lion Anti-Rheumatic Ring. For sale by Redfern, Government street.

FOR FRESH CIGARS and tobacco, and all the latest news, see Joe McDowell, King's Head Cigar and News Stand, next to Panthea.

WANTED—From 1 to 5 acres improved land, near Victoria, B. C. Box 35, Times Office.

MISS GALLAGHAN, Dressmaker, 314 Douglas street.

WHO, WHY, WHEN, WHERE, to make profitable mining investments, by the late Cecil Rhodes. Most interesting report. Engineer, 108 Irving street, Kingston, D. C.

MISS WILSON, Dressmaker, has removed her workrooms from the Fronta Block to 1011-1013 Douglas street. Phone 1155.

NOTICE—For the next six weeks, I, the undersigned, will sell cordwood in four-foot lengths and take sawing machine to cut it in yards, alleyways and vacant lots, in lots of 4 cords and upwards. Try the old way and see what you are getting. J. E. Grice, 322 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C. Phone 115.

HANBURY'S BAKERY is the place to buy high quality goods.

TO LET—Offices in Bank of Montreal Building. Apply Bank of Montreal.

FOR SALE—South African volunteer land warrant for half section Dominion land. E. C. B. Bagshaw, 415 Fort street.

FOR SALE—One horse, 1 year old, heavy draft, perfectly sound and quiet. John Durance, Heal P. O. B. C.

FOR SALE—32-foot launch, equipped with Fairbank's motor engine, every thing first-class, when called. Almost new. Apply Times Office for names of owners.

FOR SALE—English piano, dressers and stands, stoves, tools, curries, brass goods, etc. The Old Curiosity Shop, cor. Fort and Blanchard streets.

FOR SALE—A fur coat and a gun. Apply Smith, Beaumont P. O.

MILLWOOD and bark slabs, \$5 double laid, cordwood, 1st quality, \$5.50. Hull, phone 1124.

FOR SALE—Horse, young, sound and thoroughly quiet. Apply Thorpe & Co., Ltd.

ENGLISH WHEELS at great bargains, in order to make room for 1909 stock, now in your chance; also bargains in auto and ammunition. At Harris & Smith's.

FOR SALE—Incubator and brooder. Apply 1133 Johnson street.

FOR SALE—Violin, 50¢; razor hone, 50¢; pocket compass, 50¢; silk water, 50¢; ivory 2 ft. rule, 40¢; diamond glass cutter, 40¢; aluminum pocket comb, 40¢; folding pocket calculator, 30¢; Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 540 Johnson street, 4 doors below Government. Phone 176.

FOR SALE—One second-hand Houston tenner, one Smith mortar, one 10-gal. ten-inch stick, one small dynamo, one small engine; also 6 heavy horses. Apply Taylor Mill Company, 218 Government St., or P. O. Box 62.

WANTED—Anything second-hand. For sale, 20¢ to 50¢ each. Gun (Parker Bros' hammerless), 15-bore, 12; canoe, 10; large canvas; carpenter and painter's tools, cheap. At X. L. second-hand store, opp. Panthea Theatre, in alley.

FOR SALE—A few new bugles, latest style, second-hand bugles, wagons and carriages, two good horse calvers, also all kinds of horses. Apply at J. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 64 Discovery street.

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LOCAL STREET, ESQUIMALT DISTRICT, One Block From Car Line, 2 1/2 Acres.

OF FIRST-CLASS LAND, All Cleared.

Lots Are Selling as High as \$500 Each. Two Blocks Further Out, And Heavily Timbered at That.

Will Sell This Excellent 2 1/2 Acre Block FOR \$2,500.

One-Third Cash And Balance Arranged to Suit Purchaser.

THE GRIFFITH CO. ROOM 11, MAHON BUILDING. REAL ESTATE, TIMBER, INSURANCE.

LOT ON WHITTIER AVE. for \$250 cash. HOUSE OF 7 ROOMS ON KING'S ROAD—Will sell at a bargain on easy terms; or will trade for well located lots.

Your choice of three good buys in Victoria West. GOOD HOUSES at \$2,500 and \$3,000. All in fine condition and all near car line.

We have a HOUSE ON BATTERY STREET at \$1,500 that might interest you. Look us up about this. Just a step from the Park, and overlooking the Straits.

Property for Sale ALBERNI LAND—Advertiser will purchase above property if price is reasonably low. Address Box 614, Times Office.

FOR SALE—114 acres finest land for fruit and chicken ranch, all fenced in, beautifully located, high and dry, plenty of fuel, and only 1 mile from City Hall; your own terms. Mrs. Sorenson, Room 8, 1214 Government street.

FOR SALE—Ranch, 50 acres of the best land on Vancouver Island, 30 acres cleared, 20 acres of good hay, 10 acres of brush (never dry) run through property, a section from salt water, 1/2 mile from Victoria; bargain at \$2,000. Flint & Co.



## Christmas Wines and Liquors

A complete line here, all the clubmen's favorites in Claret, Sauternes, sparkling wines, etc. A few from the many:

PRICOTA (the ladies' after-dinner liqueur) per bottle ..... \$2.00  
 KUMMEL, imported Russian, per bottle ..... \$2.00  
 RUMONA (after-dinner punch), per bottle ..... \$2.00  
 PISCORINE (after-dinner liqueur), per bottle ..... \$2.00  
 BLUE FUNNEL SCOTCH, per bottle ..... \$1.25  
 GILBERT'S SPEY ROYAL, per bottle ..... \$1.25  
 GILBERT'S INVADIT FORT, per bottle ..... \$1.25  
 CATAWBA, a non-alcoholic beverage, per bottle ..... 75c and 40c  
 PERIER MINERAL WATER, per dozen ..... \$1.75  
 MAGI MINERAL WATER, per dozen ..... \$1.50

### SPECIAL TO DAY

SHOULDER HAMS, per lb. .... 10c.

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Up-to-Date Grocers 1317 Government St.

## The Royal City Gas Improvement Company, Limited.

HEAD OFFICE: Blackie Block, Columbia St., NEW WESTMINSTER.

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Capital \$250,000, divided into 1,000 shares of \$250 each, of which 100 shares are now offered for subscription at \$100.

Terms of Payment: 10 per cent. payable on application, 15 per cent. payable on allotment, and balance in installments of 10 per cent. at intervals of one month.

AGENTS FOR VICTORIA: STEWART WILLIAMS & CO., Auctioneers and Agents, Victoria, from whom all particulars can be obtained. Phone 124.

## 'The Exchange'

718 FORT STREET

Telephone 137.  
 BUY, SELL, OR EXCHANGE FURNITURE, ETC.

EDISON PHONOGRAPH, nearly new, and 60 records, in splendid order ..... \$40

JAPANESE CROCKERY, odd pieces, hand painted, from ..... 25c

ALBION RANGE, nearly new ..... \$25

GENTLEMAN'S SOLID OAK DESK, 125 2 PIANOS ..... \$150 and \$100

1 BROADWOOD-WHITE PIANO, \$200

Full compass, small case, fine tone and condition.

Also a number of VERY CHOICE BOOKS, new and second-hand.

## Maynard & Son

Auctioneers.

We have received instructions to sell

**TO-MORROW**

2 p. m.

At our Salesroom, 1314 Broad St.

## ALL NEW GOODS

Including:

Two Splendid Iron Bedsteads, Spring and Top Mattresses, 2 Oak Dressers and Bureaus, White Enamelled Dresser and Stand, Toilet Sets, Rattan Rockers and Arm Chairs, Splendid Oak China Cabinet, Complete Dinner Set, Extension Tables, Lot of New Feather Pillows, 3 Steel Engravings, "Hawking Party at Haddon Hall," "Departure for the South," "Bethlehem," 2 Violins, Zither, Gramophone, 10 Records, Edison Gramophone with 50 Records, 2 Very Handsome Marble Clocks, about 50 Smyrna Rugs.

### BALANCE OF CUTLERY

Such as Dining and Dessert Knives, Dinner Forks, Table and Dessert Spoons, Carving Sets, Kitchen Knives and Forks. These are all English Sheffield goods and must be disposed of at this sale.

### TRUNK OF SAMPLE FURS

Consisting of Ladies' Muffs, Collars and Tipsters.

### FOUR CRATES OF CHINA

Consisting of: Real China Tea Set, Celery Dishes, Bowls, Salts and Peppers, Sugar Shakers, Hair Receivers, Cups and Saucers, Cake Plates and other pieces.

Also a whole lot of Ornaments, Plaques, etc., which have been stored and were not opened in time for particulars. Now on view.

Also, at same time, we will sell

### 1 PONY, A BAY GELDING

An excellent trapper, about 13.3, aged 3, perfectly sound and very quiet; also RUBBER TIED 2 SEATED CART, cost \$65 a year ago; also BRASS-MOUNTED HARNESS.

MAYNARD & SON, Auctioneers.

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## YOURS FOR A BRIGHT CHRISTMAS

COLORFUL CANDLES FOR XMAS TREE AND DINING TABLE, boxed, self-lighting, 12 in. box, per box ..... 50c

Colors of these are red, green, yellow, pink and white.

As above, only larger size, 8 Candles to the box, per box ..... 50c

XMAS TREE CANDLES, 25 in. box, different colors, per box ..... 50c

TRANSPARENT CANDLES, short size, per dozen ..... 10c

OPAQUE CANDLES, 6 for ..... 10c

CLIPS TO HOLD XMAS CANDLES, per doz. .... 10c

Call and see our excellent display of XMAS STOCKINGS, full of Toys, Bon-Bons, etc.

## The West End Grocery Co. Ltd

1002 Government St. Phone 88 and 1761

## CARROTS. CARROTS.

JUST RECEIVED—Several tons of fine carrots—the best and cheapest horse and cow feed on the market. Per 100 lbs. .75c

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Rainbow Sheet, Peerless Packing, Round and Square Carlock Packing, Hemp and Flax Packings.

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### AWARD CONTRACT ON

### PRINCE RUPERT STREETS

W. W. Forrester of New Westminster Will Carry Out the Work.

At the sitting of the executive council yesterday W. W. Forrester, of New Westminster, was awarded the contract for carrying out public works at Prince Rupert. The work will be paid for jointly by the G. T. P. and the provincial government. The cost was not to exceed \$200,000. Mr. Forrester's figures were at 14 1/2 cents per square foot for plank roadways, 7 cents per square foot for plank walks, 29 cents per cubic yard for excavating earth, \$1.50 per cubic yard for close cutting. The plank roadways planned will embrace about 560,000 square feet, and the plank walks 112,000 square feet. The excavation work is in connection with the sewer system which is going to be put in.

### INTERESTING LECTURE

### GIVEN ON SCOTLAND

Rev. W. Leslie Clay Tells of His Tour Through Country.

A most interesting and instructive illustrated lecture on Scotland was delivered in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last evening by the pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay.

A number of excellent time light views were thrown on the canvas, illustrative of points of interest in Edinburgh, Glasgow, Stirling and Aberdeen, the home of the Wizard of the North, Sir Walter Scott, and many places immortalized by him, the most interesting of which, perhaps, was the study of that gifted writer. Burns, too, was not neglected. No one who listened to Mr. Clay's lecture last night could fail to realize how full of historical interest Scotland is, and consequently how dear to all her sons and daughters.

Mr. Clay began his lecture by having thrown on the canvas a most faithful full length portrait of King Edward, and spoke of the loyalty of His Majesty's Scottish subjects. Then followed a short discourse on the various divisions of the Scottish Presbyterians. In part, Rev. Mr. Clay said:

Scots have availed themselves to the full of the privileges of ecclesiastical dissection, but the pendulum seems to be swinging towards the golden mean when religion will be practical, and after a few more respectable funerals shall have taken place it will be possible for the followers of John Knox to stand within the Tolbooth church and sing:

"Behold how good a thing it is And how becoming well, Together, such as brethren are, In unity to dwell."

Without glowing either to the right or to the left on separated brethren who are trying hard to drown their sorrows in the whisky of the day, the speaker said, the climate of the folk who live on the Clyde speak truth, is the vilest under heaven. The aspect of the city is full of contrasts as to its social and religious life. In this very noble and healthy, abruptly, defiantly, the lordly Castle rock, described as one of the most satisfactory crags in nature, crowned with a grim old fortress, rooted in one of the loveliest gardens, shaken by passing trains, and flinging its rugged shadow over the commerce, society, the education and religion of this modern Athens. This is, of course, the oldest part of the city. On this crag, in those brave days of old, before the Roman eagles scented the rich prey of the north, and a man's worth was measured by what he could snatch and hold, there was planted a stronghold of defence. And through all the changes of world's history which have left their imprint upon the surrounding country the god of war retains his place at this altar. Here may be seen remnants of heavy-armed soldiers being put through their daily exercise, and others clad in red coats and blue check, so loud as almost to drown the shrill of the bagpipes—worthy sons of aires who bled with Wallace and followed Bruce to death or victory. Chained among the curbs of the castle is an ugly old cannon called "Mons Meg," that began its history over nearly 300 years ago. It played its part in the siege of

Kamloops will have a population of ten thousand within five years time, said W. J. Roper, cattle and horse rancher of Cherry Creek, to-day. He went to the Kamloops district as far back as 1862 and has seen the growth of the town through the forty-six years intervening.

The recent revival in the price of copper has been the cause of reopening the Iron Mask mine there, which the owners are now pumping out and making ready to start work. The Copper King mine, at Cherry Creek, and the Kimberly mine in the Kamloops district are about to commence fresh operations. The Copper King has been bonded by Mr. Beckman to American capital and will be developed at once. The mining revival will be the means of bringing several hundred men into the district.

Other improvements that Mr. Roper speaks of for the town are the new cannery erected by local capital which is now nearly completed. It will provide employment for fifty persons. The new Leland hotel, he says, is equal to any of the same size as Kamloops, while the court house, which is well on the way but not yet completed, is an improvement that will add considerable distinction to the town. Another improvement well on the way in the Kamloops district is the new Tranquille sanatorium. Ranchers are all prosperous and the town is on the boom, says Mr. Roper. The cattle and stock are all in good condition. A fine winter is expected.

### PERSONAL

B. M. Humble, manager of the Empress hotel, left last night for Montreal on his vacation. H. B. Jackson, accountant of the hotel, is filling the duties of acting manager during Mr. Humble's absence.

T. G. Mitchell, Lloyd's surveyor, has returned to Victoria in connection with the question of awarding contracts for repairs to the Glenfarg.

J. E. Bate and J. E. Bate, of Vancouver, formerly of Victoria, are in the city.

Snicker is no longer a name that they are unable to see a distance of more than one quarter their own length.

## NOTICE

J. KINGHAM & CO.

HAVE REMOVED THEIR COAL OFFICE TO

1203 Broad St.

Adjoining the Colonist Building.

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IN ALL GRADES

AT CURRENT RATES.

5 Per Cent. Off Cash With Order.

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## Do Your Shopping This Week

SIX SHOPPING DAYS remain according to the calendar—but days and weeks fly so, as the holidays approach, the eve of Christmas will be upon us ere we realize.

If it's to be china, cut glass, silverware, furniture or anything in our line, why not do your shopping this week? Select all your presents before the crowds become dense, and while we have the time to devote to a satisfactory showing of all the interesting things to suit your wants. We'll hold them for you for later delivery.

### For the "Tots"



Baby is not forgotten in this Big Store. We have many things for Baby; high chairs, cots, go-carts, etc. But the article to which we wish to draw your attention to-day is a patent Baby Plate. This is almost a necessity in every home where a child is learning to feed itself. It teaches the baby how to eat without using fingers, without clumsy tray, without pusher. It will not upset, and the saving in the laundry soon pays for the plate. Price only, each,

50c

### Special!

If you want a great big dollar's worth of dainty china or art ware, come in and choose from this special dollar counter, for on it you'll find values that pass double that amount. As a special inducement to get you acquainted with the many excellent values to be found throughout the store we have made this special counter. Don't miss it. You'll find such as these:

Brass Vases  
 Metal Candelsticks  
 Decorated Tea Pots  
 Tally Ho Jugs  
 Large Jardiniere  
 Half Dozen China Plates  
 Sugars and Creams  
 Fancy Vases  
 Ink Stands  
 Steins

\$1.00

### For Xmas Table



You are almost sure to need some additions to your linen stock this Christmas, so why not come in to-day and let us show you the dainty offerings of this department?

There is no charge for looking, and you are welcome to spend as much time here as you wish. We are proud of our linen stock and anxious that you see it. We have an enviable reputation for quality, and quality should be a foremost consideration when purchasing these lines.

## Mexican Linen Drawn Work—Worthy Gifts

Feminine Folk have been loud in their praises of this special showing of Mexican Linen Drawn Work on our second floor. And we think it is merited. The showing is an unusual one.

It offers suggestions for Christmas Gifts for Women—especially for those who delight in having dainty homes.

You are invited to come in and see these handsome creations and you'll not be under the slightest obligation to purchase.

TABLE CENTRES, \$10.00 to ..... \$1.75  
 D'OYLIES, from \$1.25 to ..... 40c  
 SIDEBORD SCARFS, at \$8.50, \$7.50 and ..... \$4.50  
 TEA CLOTHS, at from \$100 down to ..... \$20

## WEILER BROS.

HOME, HOTEL AND CLUB FURNISHERS—VICTORIA, B. C.

## LOAN BY-LAWS HAVE BEEN PETITIONED FOR

Proposal to Alter City Hall Building and Extend the Sewer System.

### MINING REVIVAL IN

### KAMLOOPS DISTRICT

Operations Are Being Resumed on Several Properties—Good Season Expected.

Two petitions have been received at the city hall and will be presented to the council on Monday night, asking for the submission of loan by-laws to the ratepayers at the approaching municipal elections. These deal with two important works which were outlined in the mayor's address on Tuesday evening—the modernization of the city hall at an outlay of about \$35,000, and the further extension of the sewerage system to the amount of \$50,000.

The petitioners show that the municipal buildings, in consequence of the increased and rapidly increasing growth of the city, are quite unable to accommodate the necessary staff for the administration of business, and that rearrangement and modernization of the offices and renovation of the interior is required. As the accommodation is urgently needed and administrative work is being delayed, the petitioners urge that the work should be commenced early in the new year, and that a by-law be introduced to raise \$35,000 to be expended in this manner. In regard to the sewer loan the petitioners point out that as the income from sewer frontage rents and taxes is sufficient to enable the borrowing of further moneys for further extensions which are urgently needed, it is advisable that a by-law authorizing a loan of \$50,000, guaranteed by these rents and taxes, be submitted to the ratepayers.

The petitions are signed by D. R. Ker, William Dick, Mrs. Sarah Duck, David Sumner, Charles Hayward, Weller Bros., Otto Weller, Luke Pither, Pither & Leber, Col. E. G. Prior, E. G. Prior Company, Ltd., R. P. Rithet, J. H. Lawson and Jos. Sogimer. These are all large property owners, the aggregate value of their holdings being over one-tenth of the total assessment of the city.

### W. E. SWEET ENTERTAINED.

President of Denver Y. M. C. A. Speaks Highly of Impressions of Victoria.

William E. Sweet, president of the Denver Y. M. C. A., who reached Victoria yesterday in company with A. J. Brace returning from the Yukina convention, was the guest last night at a dinner given by the directors of the local association. There were present: Vice-President Horn (in the chair), and Messrs. Wm. Sowercroft, A. C. Field, S. G. Clemence, D. D. S. J. H. Baker, E. Campbell, Capt. D. McIntosh, J. Foster, W. Warren, W. McKinnay, A. T. Macmillan and A. J. Brace.

Mr. Sweet emphasized the importance of securing a magnificent appearance of the city buildings and the

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to-date building properly equipped. Such an investment, he said, was distinctly a living and profitable civic asset. It also united all classes and did a grand work towards the up-bringing of the youth of the city. Mr. Davies outlined the plan pursued by the Denver Y. M. C. A., which he lauded as being in securing a magnificent appearance of the city buildings and the dwellings as a whole.